



Marine League Charities, Inc.

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Mr. Kevin Burke
Manager, City of Flagstaff
211 West Aspen Street
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Dear Mr. Burke,

The purpose of this letter is to enthusiastically endorse the proposal to name the city park located in Coconino Estates for Mr. James Joseph Cullen III, a Flagstaff resident since 1969, businessman and philanthropist. Mr. Cullen was a charter member of the Flagstaff Community Toys for Tots Organization. Mr. Cullen willingly gave his time, talents, and resources to the local Toys for Tots program. Throughout the years, this program has received many awards, including national recognition through the major television networks, as well as state and local recognition including being selected as 2001 Organization of the Year by the Arizona Daily Sun. Marine League Charities does emphatically state that such recognition and awards would not have occurred without Jim Cullen. But awards and recognition was the last thing Jim cared about. Children and veterans welfare was the center of Jim's heart. Just to mention a very few of Jim Cullen's many significant contributions would take more time and pages than one can imagine. A few examples:

At the very first Christmas party held in 1995 at Killup Elementary Jim personally paid for bicycles for a few of the neediest children. He continued until his untimely death to provide pizzas and financial support for the Christmas parties held by Flagstaff Toys for Tots for local children.

Upon the restart of the Flagstaff Independence Day Parades Jim Cullen was in charge of the Marine League Charities (MLC) entries, which included the Toys for Tots train and carousel, both designed and manufactured under Jim's supervision. He also provided the sound system and vehicles for these entries.

Jim Cullen transported the train and carousel to many parades of the area, including Williams, Winslow, Show Low as well as the Flagstaff Holiday Light Parades. The train and carousel were featured at many other activities, such as the Coconino County Fair and the July Horse races.

Jim Cullen provided transportation and sound equipment for virtually all the very many Marine League Charities functions, i.e.; Supai Santa Air Lift, Fat Tire Bike Ride, Christmas Raffle party, Santa Comes to town on the BNSF Train, as well as children's parties during the holidays.

Not to be over-looked, were the many MLC sponsorships Jim generously underwrote.

Whatever MLC needed, Jim Cullen was always there. And, all at no charge!

On behalf of all the Directors, Marine League Charities, respectfully,


Robert Herman
President

*Benefiting Local Charities including
Flagstaff Community Toys for Tots, the Wounded Marine and Flagstaff Youth Programs*