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(ITEM) A resolution by Supervisor Broderick to rename the athletic fields in Lake Park to Horowitz Fields in honor of Mr. Mark Horowitz’s contributions to the Lake Park community, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Mark Horowitz is a retired teacher from Milwaukee Public Schools and a well-respected resident of Milwaukee County (the County); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Horowitz has served local children for many years as an award-winning teacher at the Golda Meir School and volunteered as Director of the Milwaukee East Region of the Milwaukee Kickers Soccer Club, Inc. (the Kickers); and

WHEREAS, in his tenure with the regional soccer club, Mr. Horowitz managed all aspects of the game including recruiting volunteer coaches, organizing practices, scheduling team games, maintaining fields, and served as a representative on the Kickers Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Horowitz instilled leadership skills and developed confidence in young players by teaching them how to referee games, and showed dedication by ordering and purchasing team equipment on his own; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Horowitz was named “Kicker of the Year” in 1994, “Coach of the Year” in both 2000 and 2001, and inducted into the Kickers Hall of Fame in 2012, in recognition of his dedication and influence within the organization; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Horowitz initiated, sustained, and enhanced the game of soccer on Milwaukee’s east side for many County residents; and

WHEREAS, members of the Kickers and the Lake Park Friends group have expressed that Mr. Horowitz’s efforts and works should be publicly recognized and displayed for those who participate in soccer in Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, in August 2015 the Lake Park Friends submitted a recommendation to the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture to name soccer fields in Lake Park after Mr. Horowitz, and offered to purchase and mount a naming plaque on the Warming House in Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, the County strives to recognize individuals that have made a positive impact within their community, and Mr. Horowitz’s contributions to the Lake Park community makes him deserving of such acknowledgement; and

45 WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of
46 September 15, 2015, recommended adoption of this resolution (vote 5-0); now,
47 therefore,
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49 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby honors
50 the dedication and contributions made by Mr. Mark Horowitz to the Lake Park soccer
51 community by naming the athletic fields in Lake Park near the Warming House
52 "Horowitz Fields" in gratitude of his service; and
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54 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Lake Park Friends is authorized to purchase
55 and mount a plaque on the Lake Park Warming House with the following inscription:
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57 In Honor of Mark Horowitz
58 Coach, Mentor, Referee, Scheduler, Milwaukee Kickers Soccer Club Board Member,
59 Director Milwaukee East Region
60 1982 - 2011
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62 "Children gain many things from playing soccer besides learning to play the sport and
63 enjoying it. They learn to work cooperatively in a group of their peers, set both group
64 and individual goals and work hard to achieve them. They learn to develop persistence
65 and learn to handle winning and losing in positive ways and gain valuable leadership
66 skills. All of these lessons will serve them in life as well as in soccer."
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68 Mark Horowitz, 2012
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72 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Lake Park Friends group will coordinate with
73 the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture for oversight of the plaque installation
74 to ensure its proper placement; and
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76 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Lake Park Friends group is responsible for
77 funding the cost of this project with private funds.
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