[Urging the Recreation and Park Commission to Name the Batting Cage at Victoria Manalo

FILE NO. 171068

Draves Park - "Tim Figueras Batting Cage"]

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Resolution urging the Recreation and Park Commission to name the new batting cages installed at Victoria Manalo Draves Park "Tim Figueras Batting Cage" after former Gene Friend Recreation Center and longtime community member, Tim Figueras.

WHEREAS, The new batting cage officially opened at Victoria Manalo Draves (VMD) Park June 8, 2017, is currently unnamed; and

WHEREAS, Tim Figueras along with Friends of Gene Friend and Victoria Manalo Draves Park were instrumental in getting the batting cage installed; and

WHEREAS, The community groups involved in bring the batting cage to the park include Friends of Gene Friend Rec Center and Friends of VMD Park, and United Playaz; and

WHEREAS, All of the aforementioned groups support naming the batting cage after Tim Figueras; and

WHEREAS, This batting cage is located in the SoMa Pilipinas Cultural District which aims to highlight the legacy of Filipino history and vitality in the South of Market neighborhood and Tim Figueras's commitment to the community and life experience aligns with this vision; and

WHEREAS, Tim Figueras worked in the South of Market community for more than three decades and was part of the original staff at the Gene Friend Recreation Center when the facility opened in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Figueras was raised in San Francisco, attended San Francisco public schools, and has a long history of dedication to the community, making him an exemplar of home grown local leadership; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Figueras encourages youth to participate in sports as an alternative to the negative behaviors to promote health and safety in the South of Market neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Throughout Mr. Figueras's career he advocated for funding to ensure that low income youth had access to equipment needed to play baseball; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission policy on naming and or changing the designation or facilities states that the Commission will name a new park, playground, baseball diamond, path, tennis court, flower bed, or miscellaneous facility to recognize living people for whom an area has some particular significance to the park or park system and where there is broad community support for such a designation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County acknowledges and honors Tim Figueras for his dedication to the welfare of the South of Market Community; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges the Recreation and Park Commission to memorialize Mr. Figueras's tremendous devotion and heartfelt advocacy for sports in the SoMa community by naming the batting cage at Victoria Manalo Draves Park in his honor; and, be it

FUTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges Recreation and Park Commission to name the batting cage at Victoria Manalo Draves Park now and henceforth as the "Tim Figueras Batting Cage."



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Resolution

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October 17, 2017 Board of Supervisors - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

October 17, 2017 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED AS AMENDED on 10/17/2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

<u>Unsigned</u> Mayor

10/27/17

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board 10/27/17 Date