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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Councilman, Gary Reese
City Hall, Tenth Floor
400 Stewart Avenue
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RE: NAMING OF THE PARK (JAYCEE PARK) AFTER MYRON LEAVITT

Dear Gary:

On behalf of my entire family and myself, I cannot express the appreciation that we have for your kindful thought of naming the park on St. Louis and Eastern after my father, Myron Leavitt.

Since we talked, I have tried to contact all of the members of my family to get stories from them about the park and memories that they have shared with me.

My father was born in Las Vegas, Nevada and was raised on North 9th Street. He ~~attended local schools and graduated from Las Vegas High School.~~ All 11 of his children also graduated from Las Vegas High School. After my father completed his education, he moved back to Las Vegas and in 1957 bought a home on Franklin and 16th Street. From 1957 to 1963, he lived on 16th and Franklin and in 1963, he built a home at 1521 Franklin which is between 15th and 16th Street on Franklin Ave.

~~All 11 kids were raised in this home and my mother still lives in the same house.~~ All 11 kids ~~played at the park,~~ every Easter we had a family picnic at the park, and all family events, birthdays, graduations, celebrations, etc. were always held at the park. When my father was alive, four to five times a week, he would go to the park with my mother and they would go on walks. He was usually accompanied by one of his children or grandchildren.

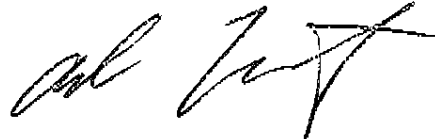
I personally, along with most of my brothers and sisters ~~played baseball at the park, had basketball practice at the park, and practiced Pop Warner football at the park.~~ Some of the stories that were shared with me by my sisters included taking kids that they were babysitting to the park. As you can see, ~~the park was utilized by our family and friends on an almost daily basis.~~ Up until the time the park temporarily closed my mother would still go to the park to walk.

As I previously said, my mother still lives in this neighborhood, my son has played little league baseball at this park, as well as Baker Park and this park is still frequented by our family and will continue to be frequented by our family when it re-opens.

I consider it a great honor that you have considered naming this park after my father and again, on behalf of myself, and all of our family, including my mother, I want to personally thank you for this consideration.

Should you need any additional information or if I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me personally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew M. Leavitt". The signature is stylized and cursive.

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