### City of Alexandria, Virginia

#### MEMORANDUM

DATE:

**FEBRUARY 1. 2011** 

TO:

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM:

JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT:

PROPOSAL TO NAME THE PARK LOCATED AT 3500 JEFFERSON DAVIS

HIGHWAY RUBY TUCKER PARK

ISSUE: Proposed naming of the property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway Ruby Tucker Park (Attachment 1).

**RECOMMENDATION:** That City Council: (1) receive the recommendation of the City Council Naming Committee to name the property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway Ruby Tucker Park (Attachment 2); and (2) set the proposal for public hearing and consideration on Saturday, February 12.

DISCUSSION: On September 20, 2010, the Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission received a letter from the Lynhaven Citizens Association requesting that the Commission consider naming the park property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway Ruby Tucker Park.

The late Ruby Tucker was an ardent advocate for her Lynhaven neighborhood. She served for 12 years on the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority where she was a voice for extending services to the City's most needy residents. She was a caring mother not only to her own children but to scores of foster children she cared for throughout her life, was a passionate founding member of her church, a City elections official for more than 30 years, and was a Senior Services of Alexandria board member and was a director of the ALIVE Child Development Center. Beginning in the 1970's and 1980's, Ruby Tucker led a small and dedicated group of neighbors who banded together to combat the drug and nuisance activity in the Lynhaven community. Until her death, Ruby Tucker continued to be an advocate for the Lynhaven neighborhood.

In response to the proposal from the Lynhaven Citizens Association, the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities solicited public comment on the proposed park naming from October 7, 2010 through November 8, 2010 (Attachment 1).

Community members were notified of the public comment period by City eNews, neighborhood canvassing of the eNews release, the RPCA website, and through "word of mouth" assistance from the Lynhaven Citizens Association. Public comment received was unanimously in favor of the proposal to name the park property Ruby Tucker Park.

On January 27, 2011, the City Council Naming Committee (Councilman Frank Fannon, Councilwoman Del Pepper and City Manager James Hartmann) held a meeting that included Joseph A. Bondi, President, Lynhaven Citizens Association, and Rosa Byrd, Lynhaven resident and friend of Ruby Tucker, to discuss the naming proposals. The City Council Naming Committee voted unanimously to recommend to City Council that the property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway be named Ruby Tucker Park.

I recommend that Council schedule these proposals for public hearing and consideration on Saturday, February 12.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1. Proposal to name park property in honor of Ruby Tucker Attachment 2. Map of proposed location of park to be named Ruby Tucker Park

#### STAFF:

Michele Evans, Deputy City Manager
James Spengler, Director, Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities
Jack Browand, Division Chief, Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities

### City of Alexandria, Virginia

### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

**NOVEMBER 15, 2010** 

TO:

MICHELE EVANS, DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

THROUGH: JAMES B. SPENGLER, DIRECTOR

RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURA TIVITIES

FROM:

JACK BROWAND, DIVISION CHIEF

RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT:

PROPOSAL TO NAME PARK PROPERTY IN HONOR OF RUBY TUCKER

On September 20, 2010, the City of Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission received a letter from the Lynhaven Citizens Association requesting their consideration in naming the park property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway Ruby Tucker Park (Attachment 1).

Known as the "Queen of Lynhaven," Ruby Tucker served for 12 years on the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority where she was a voice for extending services to the City's most needy residents. She was a caring mother not only to her own children but to scores of foster children she cared for throughout her life, was a passionate founding member of her church, an elections official for as long as anyone can remember, and the director of the Alexandria Senior Services Agency and the ALIVE Child Development Center. In the 1970s and 1980s, Ruby Tucker lead a small and dedicated group of neighbors who banded together to put their foot down on the illicit activity in the Lynhaven community. Until her death, Ms. Tucker continued to be an advocate for the Lynhaven Community.

The Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities solicited public comment on the proposed park naming from October 7, 2010 through November 8, 2010 (Attachment 2). Community members were notified of the public comment period by City eNews, neighborhood canvassing of the eNews release, the RPCA website, and through "word of mouth" assistance from the Lynhaven Citizens Association. Public comment received was unanimously in favor of the proposal to name the park property Ruby Tucker Park (Attachment 3.)

Please let me know if further information is needed to move this proposal forward in the City's naming process.

- Attachments: 1. Lynhaven Citizens Association Park naming Request
  - 2. Park naming Community Comment Announcement
  - 3. Proposed Ruby Tucker Park Naming Public Comments



September 20, 2010

Park and Recreation Commission Alexandria City Hall 301 King Street Alexandria, VA 22314

To the Park and Recreation Commission:

I am humbled to write a letter today in support of naming a City of Alexandria park in memory and honor of one of our most dynamic citizen-activists. Ruby Tucker was known as the "Queen of Lynhaven" and we believe her lifetime of service to not only our neighborhood but the city as a whole makes this a fitting honor.

Ruby was a tireless advocate for Alexandria's children and underserved populations. She served for 12 years on the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority where she was a voice for extending services to the city's most needy residents. She was a caring mother not only to her own children but to scores of foster children she cared for throughout her life. She was a passionate founding member of her church, an elections official for as long as anyone can remember, a director for the Alexandria Senior Services Agency and for the ALIVE Child Development Center. In short, she was superwoman.

Here at home, Ruby was part of a small and dedicated group of mostly women who banded together to put their collective foot down on the issue of drugs and prostitution in Lynhaven. In the 1970s and 80s, this neighborhood was Alexandria's locus of drug activity and prostitution. Good families were scared to come out of their homes. But a team of dedicated citizens, led by Ruby Tucker, decided enough was enough and they teamed up with the City and the Police Department to clean up the neighborhood, block by block, alley by alley. Their efforts led to the City's highly touted Community Oriented Policing (COP) Program. More importantly, it led to the livable neighborhood I and others sought out over the last 15 years.

One of the last things Ruby did for Lynhaven before she passed away was to work hard on having a park created from a barren half-acre of land along Jefferson Davis Highway at the end of Lynhaven Drive. Like with most things she did, she never gave up until our neighborhood was made better by this new park space. What was an unsightly stretch of roadside desertion is now a wonderful expanse of green with park benches, a shiny new bus stop and even a horseshoe pit.

Parks and Recreation Commission September 20, 2010 Page Two

It is this park we would like to have named for Ruby Tucker. It was the last of a lifetime of efforts to make Lynhaven and Alexandria better places, and now it is our turn to honor her. The park at the end of Lynhaven Drive serves as the public face of our neighborhood. As Ruby's family told me, "she never hid her light under a bushel"; naming this park for Ruby is a very public way to say thank you for her decades of service. As more and more development springs up on the eastern side of Route 1, a new Ruby Tucker Park will become the gateway to Lynhaven, proudly announcing to the world that you have arrived at our quaint and charming neighborhood.

When I first moved to this neighborhood, Ruby Tucker was still president of the Lynhaven Citizens Association, the oldest continually-operating civic association in Alexandria. I knew from my first meeting how special she was. Although we lost Ruby a year ago today, she remains a constant and palpable presence in our neighborhood.

I hope you will agree that naming a park in our neighborhood for the Queen of Lynhaven is an important thing to do.

Sincerely and respectfully submitted,

Joseph A. Bondi, President

Lynhaven Citizens Association



## City of Alexandria, VA

City Hall, 301 King St. Room 3500, Alexandria, VA 22314

### eNews Release

For Immediate Release: October 7, 2010

City of Alexandria Seeks Public Comment on Proposal to Name Park to Honor Ruby Tucker

The City of Alexandria is seeking public comment on a proposal to name the park property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway Ruby Tucker Park (end of Lynhaven Drive and Jefferson Davis Highway). The proposal was forwarded by the Lynhaven Citizens Association in response to Ruby Tucker's tireless advocacy for their neighborhood as well as Alexandria's children and underserved populations.

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In the 1970s and 1980s, Ruby Tucker lead a small and dedicated group of neighbors who banded together to put their foot down on the illicit activity in the Lynhaven community. Through their efforts, the community teamed up with the City and the Police Department to clean up the neighborhood, block by block, alley by alley. Their efforts led to the City's highly touted Community Oriented Policing (COP) Program.

One of the last things Ruby Tucker did for the Lynhaven community before she passed away was to work hard on having a park created from a barren half-acre of land along Jefferson Davis Highway, at the end of Lynhaven Drive. Like most things she did, she never gave up until the community was made better by this new park space. What was an unsightly stretch of roadside desertion is now a wonderful expanse of green with park benches, a shiny new bus stop and even a horseshoe pit.

The public is invited to provide comment on the proposal to name the park property Ruby Tucker Park through Monday, November 8. Those interested in providing comments will be able to record their comments by email to jack.browand@alexandriava.gov, subject line: Ruby Tucker Park, or in a notebook on display at the Cora Kelly Recreation Center, 25 W. Reed Ave. Comments may be mailed to Recreation and Parks, Attn: Jack Browand, 1108 Jefferson St., Alexandria VA 22314. All comments received or postmarked by Monday, November 8 will be reviewed by the City Council Naming Committee.

For additional information, contact Jack Browand, Division Chief, at 703.746.5504 or by email at jack.browand@alexandriava.gov.



Ruby Tucker
Patricia Yancey to: jack.browand

10/07/2010 05:55 PM

History.

This message has been replied to.

Greetings Mr. Broward,

The park located at the end of Lynhaven Drive should definitely be named "The Ruby Tucker Park". My family was blessed to know this awesome, beautiful, hard-working, sometimes stubborn "Angel". As a matter of fact, she was my mother's (Rosa Byrd) best friend thus I know firsthand the tireless work performed by both to make the Lynhaven Community what it is today. Also, for the past 17+ years, my family and I are proud homeowners on the same block (Lynhaven Drive) thus another reason why Ms. Ruby Tucker deserves this honor.

Thanks for your support on this endeavor and look forward to a positive outcome .

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Yancey & Family



#### Ruby Tucker Judy Lowe to: jack.browand

10/07/2010 08:13 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

My name is Judy Lowe. I am a 52-year Del Ray resident. I knew Ruby well and loved her just as much as anyone in the neighborhood. I cannot think of anyone who gave more to the City of Alexandria than she did. She served long, hard and conscientious for the people of the City that needed her. I think this honor of naming the park for her is absolutely perfect.

Judy Lowe judylowe36@comcast.net 703-548-1713 (H)



### Ruby Tucker Park Sharon Annear to: jack.browand

10/07/2010 10:44 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear Mr. Browand,

I have had the privilege of knowing most of Alexandria's legendary civic activists during my 45 years as a resident of this city. I can not think of anyone who took on more incredibly difficult, hands-on tasks to improve this community, both in Lynhaven and all of Alexandria, than Ruby did. Nor can I think of anyone who was more successful in achieving what she set out to accomplish. Without a doubt the park at Rt. #1 and Lynhaven Drive should be named for Ruby Tucker.

Sharon Annear 1118 N. Howard Street Alexandria, VA 22304 703-751-9130



### Ruby Tucker Park Henry S. Brooks to Jack.Browand

10/08/2010 10:00 AM

History

This message has been replied to.

I would like to add my voice to those who wish to honor the name of the late Ruby Tucker. When I ran for and later served on the Alexandria School Board, she was a source of continuing support and love for all of Alexandria's children. She was a source of information and support on the success of the educational program at Cora Kelly School. As the school board representative to Cora Kelly School, I interacted with Ruby almost constantly. She was a treasure of community knowledge and was a constant supporter of doing the best we could for each child.

Henry Sidney Brooks



### Ruby Tucker Park Mandee Eversley to: jack.browand

10/08/2010 10:32 AM

History.

This message has been replied to.

#### Good Day Mr. Jack Browand:

I am writing to ask that you please name the park property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway Ruby Tucker Park (end of Lynhaven Drive and Jefferson Davis Highway). She was the "Queen of Lynhaven," by serving for 12 years on the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority where she was a voice for extending services to the City's most needy residents.

One of the last things Ruby Tucker did for the Lynhaven community before she passed away was to work hard on having a park created from a barren half-acre of land along Jefferson Davis Highway, at the end of Lynhaven Drive. Like most things she did, she never gave up until the community was made better by this new park space. What was an unsightly stretch of roadside desertion is now a wonderful expanse of green, with park benches, a shiny new bus stop and even a horseshoe pit.

Since she was the one who worked so hard on having the park created, we can honor her by naming the park after her.

Thank you,

Amanda Eversley



#### Ruby Tucker Park 3d2002 or jack.browand

10/08/2010 10:40 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Good Day Mr. Jack Browand:

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Since she was the one who worked so hard on having the park created, we can honor her by naming the park after her.

Thank you,

Donna Davis



This message has been replied to.

To: jack.browand@alexandriava.gov

Subject: Ruby Tucker Park

Date: Fri, 8 Oct 2010 10:32:17 -0400

Good Day Mr. Jack Browand:

I am writing to ask that you please name the park property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway Ruby Tucker Park (end of Lynhaven Drive and Jefferson Davis Highway).

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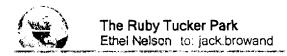
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Since she was the one who worked so hard on having the park created, we can honor her by naming the park after her.

Thank you, TERRI DAVIS



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The park located on Lynhaven Drive to be named Ruby Tucker Park in her memory would be awesome and to remember the work she did for the citizens, young and old in this city. I was a classmate of Ruby's, both attending Parker Gray High School in Alexandria. Ruby has always been a person, once her mind was made up, she would follow through on her tasks and see them done. She should be remembered for her hard work, not only for the elderly but the youth of this city.

Your support will be greatly appreciated. Ethel V. Nelson



### Fwd: Please submit your comments on Ruby Tucker Park!

Ben Sylla to: jack.browand

10/12/2010 09:19 PM

History

This message has been replied to.

Dear Jack Browand

I am writing to express my support for the proposal to name the park property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway as 'Ruby Tucker Park.' Doing so would be a fitting commemoration of Ms. Tucker's contributions to the Lynhaven community.

Sincerely, Ben Sylla 3517 Wilson Ave.

From: **Joe Bondi** < <u>joebondi@gwu.edu</u>>
Date: Thu, Oct 7, 2010 at 3:44 PM

Subject: Please submit your comments on Ruby Tucker Park!

To: lynhaven@googlegroups.com

Dear neighbors,

At our meeting in October, I talked about the process for having the park at the top of Lynhaven near Jefferson Davis Highway named for Ruby Tucker.

The first step in that is replying to a request for comment that is being distributed by the City of Alexandria. That release is attached. Please send your comments to Jack Browand at <a href="mailto:iack.browand@alexandriava.gov">iack.browand@alexandriava.gov</a>. The more positive feedback he receives the better!

Thanks for your support.

Joe Bondi

Visit Lynhaven on the web at <a href="http://www.lynhavenva.com">http://www.lynhavenva.com</a>
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Proposed Ruby Tucker Park Comment eNews.pdf

Fwd: Ruby Tucker rebyrd to jack.browand Co: rebyrd

10/13/2010 07:07 AM

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This message has been replied to.

Good Morning, Jack

I believe it was predestined that we would be writing letters requesting a park in Lynhaven be named the "Ruby Tucker Park. From the time of our initial meeting at a Lynhaven Citizens Association in 1961 until her death, Ruby was a driving force in the everyday lives of Lynhaven residents as well as others in the city. During her many years as association president, Mrs. Tucker, served as a warrior, a protector and a promoter.

As a warrior, she fought the closure of Cora Kelly Elementary School, absentee landlords, drug trafficking, influx of rooming houses, Jack Kent Cook's Redskins Stadium at Potomac Yards, a Pot-Belly Pig on Wesmond Drive, invasion of rodents (Rat Patrol), established monthly inspections of Lyhaven by city departments; over abundance of subsidized houses; added cul-de-sacs on Lynhaven Drive, Evans Lane and Wesmond Drive to reduce cut-through traffic.

As a **proctector**, Ruby played a leadership role in the re-opening of Cora Kelly School; assisted in the establishment and maintenance of three Lynhaven parks; began a huge neighborhood Halloween Party; was a Red Cross Volunteer for the evacuation of Four Mile Run flood evacuees; started a "Adopt-A-Player" meal plan to feed TCW football players before each away games; and served as guardian ad-litem for senior citizens.

As a **promoter**, Mrs. Tucker, was a founding member of First Agape Church; a mentor for teen moms; served on ARHA board; served on Senior Services Board; operated an AIDS program and was the chief election judge at Cora Kelly Precinct for more than 35 years.

Last but not least, Ruby was my devoted friend and I witnessed many other acts of kindness and devotion to Lynhaven. One of her favorite hymns was, "Let the Life I Lived Speak for Me". Naming this park to honor her would change that title to "Let the Life I LOVED Speak for Me.

Thanks.



### Ruby Tucker Park

Elzinga, Pat - Washington, DC to: jack.browand@alexandriava.g

10/13/2010 08:29 AM

This message has been replied to.

As a resident of Lynnhaven I strongly support the naming of the park in honor of Ruby Tucker. I benefit today with a wonderful neighborhood because of her diligent work to restore it from the sad state it had fallen. I have only been there a year but the stories I have been told, by long term residents, it took courage to stand up for Lynnhaven. Now I enjoy sitting on my front porch in peace, meeting my neighbors as they stroll by. I can garden in my back yard in peace and entertain there without incident. I owe this to Ruby Tucker and her compatriots.

Pat Elzinga

143 Lynnhaven Drive



### Ruby Tucker Park Raffe1015 to: jack.browand

10/16/2010 08:28 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

I applaud all who wish to see the new Lynnhaven Park named for Ruby Tucker. I knew her through our Alexandria Chapter of Church Women United. Ellen Horton



### Ruby Tucker Park Joe to: jack.browand

10/18/2010 02:35 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

I have known Ruby for thirty years and I know of her untiring work for the community. She cared for the community and the city, therefore, I support the effort to name the park to Honor Ruby Tucker.

Thank you.

Joe Smith



#### Emailing: Ltr Naming Ruby Tucker Park.docx Sandra Fowler to: jack.browand@alexandriava.gov

10/27/2010 03:21 PM

History

This message has been replied to.

Mr.Browand,

Attached is a letter of recommendation from the Alexandria Redevelopment & Housing Authority to name the Ruby Tucker Park.

The hard copy with signature has been mailed.

Sincerely,

Sandra Fowler

Sandra Fowler
Public Information Officer
Alexandria Redevelopment & Housing Authority
600 N. Fairfax Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314
703-549-7115 Ext 231



Ltr Naming Ruby Tucker Park.docx



### Ruby Tucker Park ExecDirALIVE to: jack.browand

10/29/2010 01:00 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Jack Browland
Division Chief
Alexandria Department of Recreation

Mr. Browland,

I write in support of naming the park property located at 3500 Jefferson Davis Highway, Ruby Tucker Park

In September of 2009, the City of Alexandria lost a leading citizen and ALIVE! lost an advocate and guiding light. Ms. Ruby Tucker worked at ALIVE!'s Child Development Center (CDC) for over 20 years and served

twelve of those years as the CDC's Director.

Hired in the mid-seventies as a Teacher's Aide, she enrolled in the Early Childhood Education Program at Northern Virginia Community College and, at 57 years of age, earned an Associate in Applied Science degree and was quickly promoted to teacher and eventually Director of the CDC. Ruby was instrumental in securing accreditation for the school and became a working member of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

When she retired in 1995, Alive!'s President Bill Noonan wrote, "Ruby Tucker is one of those rare people of whom it can be said that when God formed them, He destroyed the mold. Generous to a fault with her time, money and talents, Ruby has been the foster mother of more than a dozen children and has been active in her church, Alexandria politics, her neighborhood and school affairs, including the T.C. Williams Booster Club."

On behalf of ALIVE!, let me say that we heartily support naming the park "Ruby Tucker Park."

Sincerely,

Kenneth D. Naser Executive Director

ALIVE! Inc.

Selected by the <u>Catalogue for Philanthropy</u> as "one of the best small charities in the Washington DC Region."

2723 King Street Alexandria, VA 22302 United Way # 8352 CFC # 44658



### Ruby Tucker Park

Judy Lowe to: jack.browand

This message has been replied to.

11/01/2010 11:46 AM

History

I cannot think of anything that is more suitable than to honor my friend Ruby Tucker by naming a park after her. I assume you would have a really sign. This is Judy Lowe and I live in Del Ray and am active in the Del Ray Citizens Association.

This is a wonderful idea!

Judy Lowe judylowe36@comcast.net 703-548-1713 (H)



### Ruby Tucker Park Linda & Mike Oliver to: jack browand

11/01/2010 11:55 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear Mayor Euille and members of City Council we ask you please to vote to name the proposed park at Lynhaven Drive and Jeff Davis Highway in honor of our dear friend Ruby Tucker. Everything about the naming of this park is right for the lady who was, among MANY other facets, the "Queen of Lynhaven".

With thanks for your consideration, Linda and Mike Oliver

#### Ruby Tucker Park

Robyn Nichols to: jack.browand

11/06/2010 12:57 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

As Lynhaven's longtime police liaison officer and a friend of the Lynhaven community, I think it is very fitting that the new park there be named in honor of Ruby Tucker. Mrs. Tucker was devoted to making Lynhaven a safe place where people would take pride in their neighborhood, a place where people would want to raise their families. When Lynhaven was facing challenges from drug and nuisance activity, Mrs. Tucker worked closely with the police department and other City staff to ensure that the quality of life would be improved. She also worked to help children and people in need throughout the City by serving on boards, working in the faith community and generously volunteering her time. The naming the new park in honor of Ruby Tucker would be an appropriate and lasting tribute to her legacy. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sergeant Robyn Nichols Alexandria Police Department Criminal Investigations Section Violent Crime Unit 703.838.4715 Planted October 3, 1999

First Agape Baptist Community of Faith 2423 Mount Vernon Avenue Alexandria, Virginia 22301 (703) 519-9100

October 31, 2010

Mr. Jack Browand, Department of Recreation and Parks:

The First Agape Baptist Community of Faith supports the dedication of a park to be named in memory of Mrs. Ruby Tucker, an influential community leader and strong advocate for children and families in Alexandria, Virginia. Our Faith Community endorses the park as a tribute to the numerous accomplishments of Ruby Tucker who directed her stewardship efforts (time, talent and finance) to further the cause of humanity through justice and equality for all citizens of Alexandria.

Investing in our children as the foundation for the future, Mrs. Tucker worked as a pre-school teacher for 10 years at the ALIVE Child Development Center of Alexandria, Va, and as director of the Center for 13 years. Following 23 years of service in education, Mrs. Tucker continued giving to the City of Alexandria as a member of the Alexandria Housing and Redevelopment Authority, as well as many civic and school associations who nurtured the vision of a diverse Alexandria that shared its resources and encouraged one another. Moreover, Mrs. Tucker is the recipient of numerous awards for her dedication and outstanding leadership within her community, especially to underserved and marginalized populations.

As the Pastor of First Agape Baptist Community of Faith, I wholeheartedly endorse a park to be named in the memory of Mrs. Ruby Tucker who was an icon within our community, a faithful member of our church, and a tireless, loving servant of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ,

Daniel L. Brown

Reverend Dr. Daniel L. Brown Pastor

Robert Winfree

Robert Winfree Chair, Deacon Ministry James Robbins

James Robbins Chair, Trustee Ministry

Listed are persons in support to name the park as proposed

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Listed are persons in support to name the park as proposed

I, the undersigned agree with this proposal to name the park property at Lynhaven Drive and Jefferson Davis Highway Ruby Tucker Park.

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Roy Priest, Chief Executive Officer

October 26, 2010

Mr. Jack Browand
Division Chief
Recreation and Parks
1108 Jefferson Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

**RE: NAMING RUBY TUCKER PARK** 

Dear Mr. Browand,

The Alexandria Redevelopment & Housing Authority (ARHA) enthusiastically endorses naming the park property along Jefferson Davis Highway "Ruby Tucker Park".

Ms. Tucker served on the ARHA Board of Commissioners for 12 years. Mrs. Tucker demonstrated outstanding leadership and maintained a clear sense of purpose. Her tireless work improved the quality of life for hundreds if not thousands of low income families in Alexandria which made Alexandria a better place to live, work and play.

It should be noted that ARHA recently named one of its Community Centers for Mrs. Tucker. "The Ruby Tucker Family Center" located at the Hopkins-Tancil Court Apartments. In keeping with Mrs. Tuckers work, this center offers services to the residents which provide them an opportunity to transition from public housing to self sufficiency.

Again, The Alexandria Redevelopment & Housing Authority wholeheartedly endorses naming the "Ruby Tucker Park" as another commemoration of her outstanding service to the residents of Alexandria.

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