

RESOLUTION # 15-11

Renaming two trail systems, including the Lilydale Regional Trail and a new trail under development to be implemented in 2018 now known as the Harriet Island to South Saint Paul Regional Trail, combined and renamed into one trail to be known as the Robert Piram Regional Trail.

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission ("Commission") is an appointed body established to advise the Mayor and City Council on long-range and city-wide matters related to Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, Robert Piram was a lifelong resident of Saint Paul and worked in the Parks and Recreation Department for 38 years beginning in 1960, then retired in 1998, spending 26 of those years as the superintendent-director; and

WHEREAS, "Bob spent his career making Saint Paul Parks and Recreation a national model," Mayor Chris Coleman said. "Whether it was his four decades of civil service or his years of volunteer work, he took great pride in making the City of Saint Paul the city we call home today;" and

WHEREAS, Robert Piram was central to developing the regional parks system, pushing to preserve land along the Mississippi River, and merging the operations of the Como Park Zoo and Conservatory; and

WHEREAS, his push for a riverfront plan led to the blueprint for Harriet Island, Raspberry Island, and Upper Landing Parks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul wishes to honor Robert Piram by officially changing the name of two trails; the Lilydale Regional Trail and a new trail under development to be implemented in 2018 now known as the Harriet Island to South Saint Paul Regional Trail, combined into one trail known as the Robert Piram Regional Trail; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission Policy #7, Naming Parks and Recreation Sites, 2012 Update, provides criteria for naming of parks, and this recommendation complies with the spirit of the policy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission endorses the proposal to officially change the name of two trails; the Lilydale Regional Trail and a new trail under development to be implemented in 2018 now known as the Harriet Island to South Saint Paul Regional Trail, combined into one trail known as the Robert Piram Regional Trail.

Adopted by the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission on December 9, 2015:

Approved:

Yeas Nays Absent:

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Attested to by:

CAPRA Accreditation

Staff to the Parks and Recreation Commission

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