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, 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, preserving land along the Mississippi River, and merging the operations of the Como Park Zoo and Conservatory; and

WHEREAS, his strong advocacy and support 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 to the Robert Piram Regional Trail; the two existing trails are 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; and

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, the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission endorses the proposal to officially change the name of two trails to the Robert Piram Regional Trail; 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Saint Paul City Council authorizes 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.
At a meeting of the City Council on 1/6/2016, this Resolution was Passed.

Yea: 7  Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, City Council President Stark, Councilmember Noecker, and Councilmember Prince

Nay: 0

Vote Attested by
Council Secretary
Trudy Moloney

Approved by the Mayor
Chris Coleman

Date 1/6/2016
Date 1/7/2016