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ORDINANCE NO. _____
SERIES OF 2017

COUNCIL BILL NO. CB17-0984
COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:

Land Use, Transportation & Infrastructure

A BILL

**For an ordinance renaming Northside Park located at 1400 53rd Avenue as
“Carpio-Sanguinette Park”**

WHEREAS, the City and County of Denver owns and operates Northside Park located at 1400 53rd Avenue as a designated park under the Denver Charter; and

WHEREAS, former City Councilman Salvadore “Sal” Carpio was not only a City Councilman, but a dedicated and longtime Denver resident. As a City Councilman, Carpio represented District 9 which stretched from I-70 on the north to Mississippi on the south, Colorado Boulevard on the east, and Federal on the west. He authored the Neighborhood Notification Ordinance in 1976, which gave neighborhoods a formal voice in how land use decisions were made. Today, the neighborhood associations are key stakeholders in decisions that impact their residents. Carpio also added additional park land, helped redevelop the Central Platte Valley for parks and resident usage, and importantly secured funding to acquire the land on the former Northside Water Treatment Plant (which is now Northside Park). In addition to his contributions on City Council, Carpio also acted as the Executive Director at the Denver Housing Authority. There, he improved the lives of residents in various communities through securing three US Department of Housing and Urban Development HOPE VI grants; and

WHEREAS, The Sanguinette family migrated to the United States in 1853, purchasing land in 1874 at 40th Avenue and Walnut, and 10 acres of farmland east of Washington Street between 50th and 51st Streets. By 1900, the family farm was located on the edge of what is now Northside Park. This family is a staple of the history of Globeville, and tells the story of the strength of the immigrant story of this neighborhood. They are one part of the story of the foundation of Globeville and the creation of the community today; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the procedure established by the Department of Parks and Recreation’s Naming Policy, a petition was initiated by Councilwoman Deborah “Debbie” Ortega and signed by 666 individuals to rename Northside Park as “Carpio-Sanguinette Park,” with twenty (20) letters or emails of support from Wellington Webb, former Denver Mayor, Rudy Gonzales, Federico Pena, former Denver Mayor; Dr. Patricia “Patty” Baca, former Denver Public Schools Administrator;

1 Patricia A. Salazar, Sal Carpio’s wife, and his family; Louis and Debbie Gomez, Sanguinette family
2 relatives; and three (3) longtime Denver residents; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in support of the petition, Wellington Webb stated: *“As this area of Denver*
4 *changes, it is important to remind our longtime residents and newcomers of our pioneers and leaders*
5 *who worked decades for the neighborhoods who use this park”*; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Frederico Pena wrote: *“My greatest admiration of Sal Carpio stems from his*
7 *renowned honesty integrity and devotion to the people of Denver. He is truly deserving of this honor*
8 *and the renaming of this park will serve as an inspiration to many Northside youth to work hard,*
9 *dream big, and contribute to their city”*; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Paula E. Sandoval, a longtime Denver resident, stated: *“[Renaming the park] will*
11 *unite the history of the two cultures and two distinguished families and I cannot think of a better way*
12 *to honor and remember them.”*

13 **WHEREAS**, the Executive Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation supports the
14 proposed renaming of this park and the Denver Parks and Recreation Advisory Board voted at its
15 meeting on June 14, 2017, to recommend the renaming of Northside Park to *“Carpio-Sanguinette*
16 *Park.”*

17 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:**

18 **Section 1.** That Northside Park be and the same is hereby renamed, and shall be known
19 as Carpio-Sanguinette Park.

20 **Section 2.** That this action shall be effective upon the final adoption of the ordinance.

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1 COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE: September 12, 2017
2 MAYOR-COUNCIL DATE: September 19, 2017 by Consent
3 PASSED BY THE COUNCIL _____ October 2, 2017 _____
4 Alan Bink _____ - PRESIDENT
5 APPROVED: _____ - MAYOR _____
6 ATTEST: _____ - CLERK AND RECORDER,
7 EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
8 CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER
9 NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY JOURNAL _____; _____
10 PREPARED BY: Jason D. Moore, Assistant City Attorney DATE: September 21, 2017
11 Pursuant to section 13-12, D.R.M.C., this proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the office of
12 the City Attorney. We find no irregularity as to form, and have no legal objection to the proposed
13 ordinance. The proposed ordinance is not submitted to the City Council for approval pursuant to §
14 3.2.6 of the Charter.
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16 Kristin M. Bronson, Denver City Attorney
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18 BY: Kristin J. Crawford, Assistant City Attorney DATE: Sep 21, 2017