



January 6, 2017

Manager Allegra "Happy" Haynes, and
Members, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Denver Parks & Recreation Department
201 West Colfax Ave., Dept. 601
Denver, CO 80202

RE: Renaming Northside Park to Carpio-Sanguinette Park

Dear Happy:

I am writing on behalf of the community we serve, the board of directors and staff at Northeast Denver Housing Center to indicate our support and recommendation to rename the Northside Park as "Carpio-Sanguinette Park" in recognition of the outstanding contribution City Councilman Salvador "Sal" Carpio made to our community, city and nation.

Sal was a community builder. As you are aware, when Northeast Denver Housing Center originally got organized some 36 years ago ! Councilman Sal Carpio , Councilman Bill Roberts and you as aide to councilman Roberts help guide and provided valuable assistance. That initial investment has touched the lives of over 15,000 people that needed assistance in housing and community development. His action to help renovate local parks in NE Denver, improve alleys where seniors were in need of lighting, implement energy efficiency for low income families in those early days touched lives and made differences.

By helping organize and support non-profit community development organizations and social service agencies, Sal helped make the City of Denver a better place where we care and support each other. The organizations and policies he helped build contributed locally and nationally. Denver's leading non-profits and progressive local policies have made a difference nationally.

Recognizing a leader like Councilman Salvadore "Sal" Carpio, who has made significant difference locally and nationally will be in the tradition of a great City like Denver.

Regards,



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Executive Director