

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND METROPOLITAN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2015-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BAINBRIDGE ISLAND METROPOLITAN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT, KITSAP COUNTY, WASHINGTON, IN HONOR OF JOHN DEMEYER AND HIS THIRTY PLUS YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PARK DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, John DeMeyer sailed into the Bainbridge Island Park & Recreation District over thirty years ago, and will now be pulling up anchor to sail into retirement (literally) on May 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, he has contributed in countless ways to the Park District through his many years as Pool Manager and his nine plus years as Recreation Services Division Director; and

WHEREAS, he has spent long hours envisioning, developing, and overseeing all things related to water and recreation, and under his tutelage as Pool Manager introduced numerous programs to the community including sailing, swimming, diving, water polo, and kayaking, in addition to personally coaching and inspiring throngs of young athletes over the years; and

WHEREAS, while serving as Recreation Services Division Director he participated as part of the Park District's leadership team approaching his program managers with confidence and trust in their abilities, exploring innovative solutions to problems, providing guidance in policy development and risk management issues, and standing firm in his commitment to the overall well-being of the Park District and the public's enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, John championed efforts to build the Bainbridge Aquatics Center, and contributed significantly to other District milestones including passage of the metropolitan park district and the Sakai property bond measure; and

WHEREAS, he will be fondly remembered for his resourcefulness, and in particular his knack for gerry-rigging anything that breaks and keeping things afloat; and

WHEREAS, he has charted the District's IT course, navigating the agency through green cards to a single computer for registration and on into the internet era, and in doing this has proven himself technically savvy in all areas except his paper calendar which he keeps folded in his back pocket; and

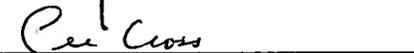
WHEREAS, he will be especially remembered for his fun and outgoing nature, his positive outlook, his wittiness and humor, and his genuine care for the future of this island and its people,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District, Kitsap County, Washington, that John DeMeyer be commended for his outstanding years of service to the Park District and the community of Bainbridge Island, and that in honor of this: 1) A lifelong free pass be awarded John and Donna DeMeyer to swim at the Bainbridge Aquatics Center; and 2) The Park District's sailing program be named "The DeMeyer School of Sailing".

PASSED by the Board of Commissioners of the Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District, Kitsap County, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof held this 16th day of April, 2015, the undersigned commissioners being present.

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND METROPOLITAN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

BY: 
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