November 27, 2012

Mr. Ken Doherty
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Dear Mr. Doherty,

We the under signed, are writing to you and respectfully request that your committee consider renaming the current Stocker Road Park (lot # 821) in honour of former Otonabee Ward Councillor, Glenn Pagett. As you know, Mr. Pagett was an Otonabee Ward Councillor for twenty seven years, and served on the Peterborough Utilities Commission for three years.

During his time on Council, Mr. Pagett was involved in a number of major accomplishments for the city including: developing Trans Cab and Radial Bus Routing, the opening of Lansdowne Place and other commercial developments along the strip such as Home Depot, Canadian Tire, Zellers, Sobeys and the Brick, the opening of Peterborough Square, the amalgamation of Parks and Recreation, chairing the committee to build the Kinsmen Arena when Civic Arena closed, hiring the first full time city administrator, working with councillor Jack Doris to make public, the Committee of the Whole Meetings of City Council, partnering with the community to build Eastgate Park Soccer Fields, building the Evinrude Centre, establishing the Canadian Canoe Museum, building Showplace on George Street, building the Parking Garage on King Street, building the Wellness Centre on Brealy Drive, building St. Joseph's at Fleming, initiating a seniors bus pass and implementation of the handi-van, completion of the Lansdowne Street paving, assisting Spillsbury Drive residents with lot divisions to pay for services, completion of the Crawford Place and Crawford Drive ditch, closure of St. Joseph's Hospital, building the new YMCA, the Memorial Centre retrofit, and the relocation of the Ontario Region Conservation Authority building. He was also on the PUC Zoo Advisory Board and was actively involved in the McKellar/Hamilton Park Association.

During Mr. Pagett's final term on City Council he was involved in a number of excellent projects including Sir Sandford Fleming Drive and Brealy, refurbishing the Parkhill Road Bridge over Otonabee River, the Lansdowne Street West reconstruction, improvements to sidewalks and roads, and building the Wellness Centre.

During Mr. Pagett's public career as Councillor and Commissioner, he demonstrated an unwavering commitment toward making our community a better place in which to live, work, and play. Previous letters have been sent to City Hall for consideration to rename the Stocker Road Park after Mr. Pagett. (letter to Mr. Peter Southall, May 16, 2005, letter to Mr. David Goyette, April 10, 2011, letter to Mayor Darryl Bennett, July 8, 2011). The undersigned believe that reconsideration of this request is again warranted.

While we understand the City of Peterborough policy is to only name parks in honour of an individual after the person is deceased, we feel strongly that there is now a compelling reason for the committee to make an exception and rename the Stocker Road Park after Mr. Pagett. Our rationale for making this request is twofold. First, Mr. Pagett has provided many years of outstanding public service to the citizens of Peterborough. Renaming the small park in Otonabee Ward would create a lasting legacy for his many years of service. He is most deserving of this honour.

We would appreciate your timely consideration of our request. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact any of the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted by,

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