



City of Seattle

Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor

Seattle Parks and Recreation
Timothy A. Gallagher, Superintendent

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Judith Pippin
City Clerk
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Dear Ms. Pippin:

In accordance with the provisions of Ordinance 99911 as amended by Ordinance 104937, in my capacity as Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, I have designated the following as an official name for a park facility:

Jim Ellis Freeway Park - Jim Ellis has been a lifelong civic leader who led the effort to create Freeway Park in 1976. Ellis also spearheaded initiatives to clean up Lake Washington in the 1950s; to finance mass transit, parks, pools, and other public facilities through "Forward Thrust" bond issues in the 1960s; to preserve farmlands in the 1970s; to build and later expand the Washington State Convention & Trade Center in the 1980s; and to establish the Mountains to Sound Greenway along the I-90 corridor in the 1990s. Most of the projects he was involved in happened only after years of opposition and were a direct result of Mr. Ellis' tenacity. Freeway Park was championed by Jim Ellis and built with Forward Thrust funds in 1976. This name will replace the existing name of Freeway Park.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy Gallagher".

Timothy Gallagher
Superintendent

Cc: Mayor Greg Nickels
Councilmember Tom Rasmussen