

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 12

PROCLAMATION HONORING ANDREW (“ANDY”) MILKE

WHEREAS, Andy Milke began his 28 year career with the Greenfield Parks Department on February 24, 1992; and

WHEREAS, commencing with his employment, Andy Milke has been the only Parks Department employee who managed and maintained the facilities of Brandywine Park which he did with loving care treating the park as his second home; and

WHEREAS, through his constant efforts above and beyond the call of duty, Andy kept the park in immaculate condition and was constantly seen mowing the grass, picking up trash, and making sure that the playing fields, whether they be soccer, baseball, or softball, as well as the buildings and environs were in pristine condition and ready to serve both the adults and youth of the City of Greenfield; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Andy worked with numerous organizations to coordinate utilization of the Brandywine Park facilities, including, but not limited to, Greenfield Area Soccer Club, the Greenfield Fastpitch Softball Association, Greenfield Central High School, D.A.R.E. and many more community organizations making their needs his personal priority to ensure that their events were conducted in a smooth and seamless fashion; and

WHEREAS, Andy was so meticulous in his care of the facilities that he was known to constantly be checking the weather reports to make sure he knew when to line soccer fields, baseball diamonds and softball diamonds so that they were in perfect condition when play commenced; and

WHEREAS, in addition to Andy’s dedicated maintenance of Brandywine Park, he was also instrumental in developing Beckenholdt Park, Commons Park, Thornwood Reserve, Mary Moore Park, the Pennsy Trail, Wilson Park, Riley Home and Museum, the Elmore Center and the Riley Park Pool and Splash Pad; and

WHEREAS, Andy possessed the amazing ability to fix almost anything and by virtue of his ability, he saved the City of Greenfield and the citizens of Greenfield, Indiana thousands of dollars in maintenance repairs over the span of his career; and

WHEREAS, after a 28-year career with the Greenfield Parks Department, Andy Milke passed away on October 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, in acknowledgment of the above actions and innumerable other instances of selfless action by Andy on behalf of the Greenfield Parks Department and the citizens of Greenfield, Indiana, the Common Council of Greenfield, Indiana deems it appropriate to honor Andy Milke by the designation of the paved pathway leading from the parking area of Brandywine Park to the Park Maintenance Garage, as depicted on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, where Andy spent untold hours as Milke Way.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Common Council of Greenfield, Indiana that the paved pathway depicted on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, shall hereafter be known as Milke Way to formally

recognize, honor, and perpetuate the memory of the selfless dedication of Andy Milke to those children, parents, grandparents, and the citizens of Greenfield, Indiana who have and will continue to use the facilities and Brandywine Park he so lovingly maintained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hand and cause the seal of the City of Greenfield, Indiana to be affixed this 25th day of November, 2020.

Chuck Fewell, Mayor

Kerry Grass

Jeff Lowder

Gary McDaniel

John Jester

Mitch Pendlum

Dan Riley

George Plisinski

ATTEST:

Lori Elmore, Clerk-Treasurer

Presented by me to the Mayor this _____, 2020.

Lori Elmore, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by me this _____, 2020.

Chuck Fewell, Mayor



EXHIBIT A