

INTRODUCED: 08/23/2010

REFERRED TO: Committee of the Whole

SPONSOR: Councillor Brown

DIGEST: recognizes Damon Donaldson on his retirement from the Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation (Indy Parks)

SOURCE:

Initiated by: Councillor Brown

Drafted by: NaTrina DeBow, Assistant Clerk of the Council

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADOPTION:

Subject to approval or veto by Mayor

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:

Adoption and approvals

GENERAL COUNSEL APPROVAL: _____

Date: August 18, 2010

CITY-COUNTY SPECIAL RESOLUTION NO. _____, 2010

A SPECIAL RESOLUTION recognizing Damon Donaldson on his retirement from the Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation (Indy Parks).

WHEREAS, Mr. Donaldson began working for the Indy Parks Community Recreation Division in January 2000 under the direction of Joe Wynns and the supervision of Linda Koontz; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Donaldson played a crucial role in the architecture and amenity planning of the Rhodius Park Family Center, and created a myriad of programs at the center, such as a year-round swimming team, a junior lifeguarding program, a dance program, a martial arts program, an artistic creation program, a city-wide drumline, an Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) basketball league, and the first ever rowing team in the inner city; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Donaldson also relocated the Boys II Men Mentoring program and the Inner Beauty program to Rhodius Park, which also hosted many college tours, black history programs and countless local field trips for the neighborhood children; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Mr. Donaldson has been active with the Washington High School drumline and as Head Swimming Coach at Washington High School, as well as coached two years on the championship football team at Crispus Attucks Middle School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Donaldson has been very active in the community, and has worked with the West Indianapolis Neighborhood Congress (WINC), including their Crime Out Night, with the Mary Riggs Center, with the West Indianapolis Development Corp's (WIDC) Community Day, and with the Breakfast with Santa program; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Mr. Donaldson served on the City of Indianapolis' Crime Prevention Board, the Alpha Youth Foundation and Boys II Men, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Donaldson has resigned from his position with Indy Parks after ten years of service and is retiring after 30 plus years of working with youth in the community; now, therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. The Indianapolis City-County Council proudly recognizes Mr. Damon Donaldson for his unselfish service to the providing positive programs and resources to youth in the Indianapolis communities.

SECTION 2. The Council congratulates Mr. Donaldson on his retirement and wishes him continued success in all future endeavors.

SECTION 3. The Mayor is invited to join in this resolution by affixing his signature hereto.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption and compliance with IC 36-3-4-14.

The foregoing was passed by the City-County Council this _____ day of _____, 2010, at _____ p.m.

ATTEST:

Ryan Vaughn
President, City-County Council

Melissa Thompson
Clerk, City-County Council

Presented by me to the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

Clerk, City-County Council

Melissa Thompson

Approved and signed by me this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Gregory A. Ballard, Mayor