



RESOLUTION NO. 40209

1 A RESOLUTION relating to landmarks preservation; renaming a portion of Marine
2 Park, located at 3427 Ruston Way, to “Judge Jack Tanner Park,” as
recommended by the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

3 WHEREAS, on February 13, 2018, the Metro Parks Board (“Board”), as part
4 of its commitment to social equity, inclusion, and diversity, key elements of the
5 Strategic Master Plan formally adopted by the Board in January 2018, elected to
6 rename a portion the Marine Park, located at 3427 Ruston Way, to “Judge Jack
7 Tanner Park,” and

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9 WHEREAS, through this request, Metro Parks seeks formal recognition of
10 Judge Tanner's contributions to civil rights and social justice in Tacoma, and
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12 WHEREAS Judge Tanner was the first African-American in the Pacific
13 Northwest to be appointed to the Federal bench as a district court judge, and
14 presided over several landmark cases involving social and environmental justice in
15 Washington and Tacoma, and

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17 WHEREAS, in accordance with the *Policy on Place Names and Name*
18 *Changes*, adopted by the City Council on August 17, 2010, pursuant to Resolution
19 No. 38091, the Landmarks Preservation Commission (“Commission”) conducted a
20 public hearing on October 24, 2018, to receive testimony on the proposed change,
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23 WHEREAS, following the public hearing, the Commission observed a
24 30-day comment period, and

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WHEREAS, on December 12, 2018, the Commission voted to forward the proposal to the City Council, with a recommendation to name the Park as proposed, and

WHEREAS Planning and Development Services staff concurs with the Commission’s recommendation to rename a portion of Marine Park to “Judge Jack Tanner Park,” based upon the guidelines set forth in the Council Naming Policy, and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2019, staff presented the proposal to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, and the Committee recommended the proposal for consideration by the City Council; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That a portion of Marine Park, located at 3427 Ruston Way, is hereby renamed to “Judge Jack Tanner Park,” as recommended by the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney