FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



# M E M O R A N D U M

- TO: Chairman and Members Park Authority Board
- VIA: Kirk W. Kincannon, Executive Director
- FROM: Todd Brown, Director Park Operations Division
- **DATE:** January 24, 2018

## Agenda

Park Operations Committee Wednesday, January 24, 2018 – 6:30 p.m. Boardroom – Herrity Building Chairman: Linwood Gorham Vice Chair: Michael Thompson Members: Timothy Hackman, Faisal Khan

1. Approval – South Run District Park – Naming of Athletic Field 5 honoring Jack Nolan – Action\*

\*Enclosures



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#### ACTION

#### <u>Approval – South Run District Park – Naming of Athletic Field 5 honoring Jack Nolan</u> (Springfield District)

#### ISSUE:

Naming of Athletic Field 5 at South Run District Park in honor of Jack Nolan, a longtime leader and supporter of youth soccer in the Springfield District in Fairfax County, and a major influence in raising awareness of the need for scholarship subsidies and instrumental contributions to the Field Allocation Policy, which stands today.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Park Authority Director recommends approval of the naming of Athletic Field 5 at South Run District Park in honor of Jack Nolan.

#### TIMING:

Board action is requested on February 14, 2018, to be ready in time for a public ceremony which will be scheduled in the spring.

#### BACKGROUND:

In the late 1970s and early 1980s, Springfield Youth Club experienced a boost in leadership from Jack Nolan. Serving as a coach on several soccer teams, all players benefited by Jack's philosophy of developing players and "Letting players play". His success in the field also lead him to leadership roles as Vice President of Operations and appointed the Fairfax County Soccer Council SYC Representative. He was the Fairfax County Soccer Council President and served on the Athletic Council. Jack was instrumental in the development of a rectangle field allocation policy and raised awareness of financial need for many players to be able to participate. The Scholarship Program is still in place due to Jack Nolan's efforts.

In honor of Jack Nolan and his dedication to youth sports and outdoor recreation in Fairfax County, and the leadership in developing youth soccer in the Springfield District, it is believed most appropriate to rename Athletic Field 5 at South Run District Park to Jack Nolan Field.

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#### FISCAL IMPACT: None

#### ATTACHMENT:

Attachment 1: Map of South Run District Park

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