

Submitted by: Chair of the Assembly at  
the request of the Mayor  
Prepared by: Office of the Mayor  
For reading: December 13, 2005

COUNCILS OPTION

APPROVED

Date: 1-24-06

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AND  
MAYOR MARK BEGICH TO RENAME GLADYS WOOD PARK TO  
MICHAEL J. SHIBE PARK**

Whereas, AMC 3.97 established a means of recognizing and honoring persons by naming municipal owned buildings as well as other facilities and public places after persons.

Whereas, under AMC3.97 this naming action may be initiated by a formal request of the Mayor to the Assembly:

Whereas, Michael J. Shibe was one of four boy scout leaders killed on July 25, 2005 in an electrical accident at Fort AP Hill in Virginia while leading 72 Alaskan Boy Scouts on an adventure of a lifetime.; and

Whereas, Michael J. Shibe is a Third Generation Alaskan who grew up in the Sand Lake Area. His family arrived in Alaska prior to the 1898 gold rush and his grandfather homesteaded in the Sand Lake area near Strawberry Road; and

Whereas, Michael J. Shibe was one of five original boy scouts who started Troop 129 in the Sand Lake area (now sponsored by Gloria Dei Lutheran Church) and was the very first Eagle Scout in the troop, earning his award in 1972. Of Troop 129's 70 Eagle Scouts, Michael J. Shibe guided and assisted the majority to achieve Boy Scouting's highest rank; and

Whereas, Michael J. Shibe's Eagle Project in the 1970's was to clear brush and create one of the early trails at the Alaska Zoo; and

Whereas, Neil Shibe's (Michael's 2<sup>nd</sup> son) Eagle Project was to build a walking trail through Gladys Wood Park which connected the northwest corner of the park to the rest of the park; and

Whereas, Brent Shibe's (Michael's 1<sup>st</sup> son) Eagle Project was to procure and rebuild the Sand Lake School hockey rink; and

Whereas, Michael J. Shibe spearheaded a net day at Sand Lake School which wired the classrooms for internet connectivity; and

Whereas, Michael J. Shibe earned Boy Scouting's highest adult award "Silver Beaver" for his lifetime contribution to Boy Scouting; and

Whereas, Gladys Wood's contribution to the Anchorage community will continue to be recognized through Gladys Wood Elementary School; and

Whereas, Michael J. Shibe lived life to the highest ideals of committing himself to others. Michael was a long time scout leader, coached youth hockey, coached youth soccer, and contributed an immense amount of time and effort to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church; and

Whereas, the Sand Lake Community Council unanimously supported a resolution on November 14, 2005 to rename Gladys Wood Park in honor of Michael J. Shibe for his lifelong commitment to his community and his passion to help the youth of Alaska.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

Section 1. That Gladys Wood Park be renamed as "Michael J. Shibe Park."

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval by the Anchorage Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this

24th day of January, 2006.

Anne L. Fairclough  
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Barbara S. Gruenstein

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Municipal Clerk

November 30, 2005

Mayor Mark Begich  
Municipality of Anchorage  
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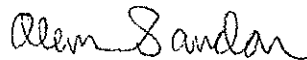
Dear Mayor Begich,

In accordance with Chapter 3.97 of the Municipal Code, you appointed a committee of five people to consider naming a municipal facility or park after Michael J. Shibe: Alan Sandar, Rich Owens, Debra Dailey, Diane Kay Shibe Wagner, and Rhene Merkouris.

We met on November 30, 2005, and voted to rename the Gladys Wood Park the "Michael J. Shibe Park." Michael J. Shibe was a resident in the neighborhood of the park and a strong, committed community activist.

Thank you for the opportunity to work on this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan Sandar".

Alan Sandar  
Chair

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A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL

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## AMC CHAPTER 3.97 NAMING OF MUNICIPAL BLDGS. ...

## 3.97.030 Procedures

A. Preliminary action in naming a facility may be initiated by the mayor or a quorum of the assembly. If the assembly is the initiating organization, a proposal in letter format addressed to the mayor will be prepared. Upon receipt of an assembly request to name a facility or upon the mayor's decision to seek a name for a facility, the mayor will appoint a five-member citizen *panel* subject to assembly approval to review proposed names, to hold public hearings, and to identify an appropriate name for the facility. The citizen *panel* may be composed of members of recognized boards and commissions.

B. The facility naming *panel* will identify appropriate names for the facility. The *panel* may consider those names submitted by the mayor or the assembly or propose an alternative, taking care not to overlook the contributions of women and minorities to the city, state and nation. Geographic influences will be considered to the degree possible in selecting names for facilities. Upon agreement by a quorum of the *panel*, a letter advising the mayor shall be dispatched. The mayor will make the panel's letter an attachment to a resolution for consideration by the assembly. Memoranda as appropriate may be appended to the resolution to explain or amplify relevant information for the assembly.

C. The assembly will set the naming resolution for public hearing at least one month after introduction and ensure appropriate information dissemination to the public during this period.

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