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Subject: Fwd: Northside Park renaming

Leslie,

We put to a vote the proposed name change at our November 21st meeting and members present passed the motion unanimously!

"The North East Vienna Citizens Association (NEVCA) gladly supports renaming of Northside Park to Northside Park – Maud Robinson Wildlife Preserve."

Prefacing the vote, I read to members one selection of Maud's remarks (in yellow highlight below) made at an October 2008 Planning Commission public hearing. There are others I'm sure from that period that I could cite in support. I hope this helps.

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Maud Robinson, 124 Courthouse Road, SW, said that all of the parks in Town are zoned PR. Mrs. Robinson asked what does recreation mean in the environment in which we live in Northern Virginia; it means organized activity such as tennis courts, ballfields, etc. Mrs. Robinson said for the record that through her school and college years nobody engaged in more team sports than she did, saying that she thinks they are wonderful and respects them. Mrs. Robinson said that she grew up in the Connecticut countryside and had fields and woods and ponds, etc. And from that experience said if you expose children to a natural unstructured environment when they are young it gives them a respect, an affection, a reverence for land that they do not absorb in front of the computer, television, etc. Mrs. Robinson said the Governor of Virginia and the Chairman on the Board of Supervisors have urged conservation of open land. Mrs. Robinson said this site is 26 acres of prime untouched woodland and is in the Difficult Run watershed.