

February 14, 2012

Richard Zavala
Director, Parks and Community Services
4200 South Freeway, Suite 2200
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Dear Mr. Zavala:

The intent of my letter is for City of Fort Worth to consider naming three existing soccer fields at Harmon Park in memory of my deceased husband, Serapio Herrera. As you may know, Serapio passed away on December 18, 2011 due to cancer and I believe his contributions to the soccer community in Fort Worth warrant this consideration. The soccer league that he started over 42 years ago, entitled the Independent Soccer League of Fort Worth, has utilized Harmon Field Park for league and tournament games for more than four decades.

Aside from coordinating this adult soccer league, my husband has also contributed an endless amount of his time with other endeavors in an effort to build a strong community. He has raised funds for enhancements at city parks, served on sport advisory committees, hosted a number of instructional clinics for the youth of our community, and was the co-founder of the Casa Del Inmigrante Fort Worth local chapter. In addition, my husband raised approximately \$10,000 for organizations such as the Hispanic Communicators-Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter and the Bilingual ESL Educators of Fort Worth. In 2006, my husband was presented with the *Community Hero Award* presented by the Texas Rangers Major League Baseball Club.

In closing, my husband has touched the lives of many citizens, both children and adults, in our great city. If you require any additional information or endorsements from other citizens and members of the many organizations he has been involved with, please let me know. I thank you for your valuable time and consideration of honoring my proposal.

Sincerely,



Maria E. Herrera, President
Independent Soccer Association of Fort Worth

c: Juan M. Blanco, Vice President
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