

TO: Leticia Vacek, City Clerk
FROM: Councilman Manny Pelaez, District 8
COPIES TO: Xavier Urrutia, Director, Parks and Recreation Department
SUBJECT: Dan Markson Naming at Maverick Park
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Article XVI of Chapter 6 of the City of San Antonio code provides for the opportunity to name City facilities including but not limited to public recreational and sports buildings and areas. Accordingly, I would like to request that City staff initiate the process to name a new park in District 8 directly adjacent to the Maverick Creek Neighborhood at Jetlyn Drive and West Hausman Road, after long-time community leader Dan Markson. This dedication will recognize his immense contributions to the San Antonio community.

For over 30 years, Dan worked tirelessly to bring affordable housing developments to communities. He served in various capacities in his field including as the national director of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) for the Greater San Antonio Builders Association, on the board of the Federal Government Affairs and Housing Finance Committee of the NAHB, and as a Director and President of the Texas Association of Affordable Housing Providers. He also served as State Director of the Texas Association of Builders (TAB) and past Chairman of the TAB Multifamily Council.

Outside of his work with affordable housing, Dan was equally committed to his community. From his work supporting the Cesar E. Chavez Legacy & Educational Foundation, Interfaith, and Charlesview Inc., to his service as a board member for the Southwest School of Art, Dan tirelessly fought for the marginalized and voiceless in our community.

Faith also played an important role in Dan's life, underscored by his work in the Jewish community. Having served on the board of Temple Beth El San Antonio and the San Antonio Jewish Family Services, anyone who encountered Dan quickly discovered the pride he had for his heritage. He was recently presented with Chabad San Antonio's 2018 Distinguished Community Service Award.

For these contributions and the others too numerous to list here, I submit this small expression of appreciation for a man that gave so much of himself to our community.



Manny Pelaez
Councilman, District 8