RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A resolution approving an Honorary Designation Application submitted by Becky Summerlin- Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation to rename the Cooper Creek Tennis Center Clubhouse in honor of Mr. Rick Gordon.

WHEREAS, Mr. Rick Gordon served as the Director of Parks and Recreation from 1988 – 1998. He also served as the Director of the Columbus Sports Council. During his tenure as the Director of Parks and Recreation, he was responsible for many enhancements to the complex to include adding more courts and bringing numerous events to the center; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Rick Gordon was an avid tennis player at Cooper Creek Park and instrumental for sparking an interest in the sport of tennis through his deep-rooted ties to the tennis center and the community. He strived to make Cooper Creek Tennis Center a vital part of the history of Columbus; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Honor held a meeting on May 25, 2023 to consider the application and to make a recommendation to Council. At that meeting, the Board of Honor members voted to approve the request for an Honorary Designation to rename the Cooper Creek Tennis Center Clubhouse in honor of Mr. Rick Gordon.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the City Facility and Honorary Street Naming Policy- Section 3: <u>Criteria for Naming City Facilities</u>, "Unless otherwise approved by city council, when a building, facility or public outdoor space undergoes a major renovation or ceases to exist, the name will be honored as a part of the City's history but will not necessarily be retained."

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES:

That Honorary Designation signage be erected renaming Cooper Creek Tennis Center Clubhouse in honor of Mr. Rick Gordon.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 13th day of June 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen	voting
Councilor Barnes	voting
Councilor Begly	voting
Councilor Cogle	voting
Councilor Crabb	voting
Councilor Davis	voting
Councilor Garrett	voting
Councilor House	voting
Councilor Thomas	voting
Councilor Tucker	voting

Sandra T. Davis Clerk of Council B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III Mayor