

**CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. 1682**

**A RESOLUTION NAMING THE PICKLEBALL COURTS AT LUTHER
BURBANK PARK AS THE “JAKE JACOBSON PICKLEBALL COURTS” TO
ACKNOWLEDGE JAKE JACOBSON’S SERVICE TO MERCER ISLAND**

WHEREAS, Jake Jacobson served the Mercer Island community with distinction in public office as a member of the Mercer Island City Council from January 2020 until his passing on March 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jacobson distinguished himself as a leader in the Mercer Island community with an unwavering dedication to public service; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jacobson’s tenure on the City Council was highlighted by numerous accomplishments, including COVID-19 recovery efforts, passage of the 2023 Parks Levy, amendments to the Shoreline Master Program, design of the Public Safety and Maintenance Facility, responses to multiple water emergencies, approval of the interlocal agreement with Eastside Fire and Rescue for fire and emergency medical services, and adoption of several plans including the PROS Plan, ADA Transition Plan, Climate Action Plan, Town Center Parking Plan, and Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jacobson served as City Council liaison to the Sustainability Committee (2022-2023), Disability Board (2020-2022), Parks & Recreation Commission (2020-2021), Utility Board (2023-2025), Open Space Conservancy Trust (2024-2025), King County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (2024-2025), and Eastside Transportation Partnership (2020-2023); and

WHEREAS, in addition to his service to the City of Mercer Island, Jake served his country as an officer in the U.S. Navy (1965-1974) and served on the Mercer Island Schools Committee (2013-2014) helping lead the successful bond campaign that funded the construction of Northwood Elementary and expanded both the middle and high schools; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jacobson was an avid park user and advocate of the City’s Capital Improvement Program, and supported many park improvements such as the Mercerdale Park Playground renovation and the Luther Burbank pickleball courts renovation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to recognize Councilmember Jacobson’s remarkable contributions to the Mercer Island community and the lives he touched with his kindness, leadership, and service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

On behalf of its residents – past, current, and future – and in acknowledgement of Jake Jacobson’s many contributions to the Mercer Island community, the City Council hereby names the pickleball courts at Luther Burbank Park as the “Jake Jacobson Pickleball Courts.” This tribute shall live on in the collective memories of his family, friends, neighbors, colleagues, and fellow Mercer Islanders.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WASHINGTON, AT
ITS MEETING ON THE 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

Salim Nice, Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrea Larson, City Clerk