

Friday, September 4, 2009

To: Chair and Members of the Toronto East York Community Council

**Recommendation: That the General Manager of Parks, Forestry, and Recreation report to the Toronto & East York Community Council at the next meeting on naming the main diamond in Christie Pits named Dominico Field, after Jack and Lynne Dominico.**

Discussion: Jack and Lynne Dominico acquired the Toronto Maple Leafs Baseball Club in 1969. In the 41 seasons since then, the club has won eight championships and twenty pennant titles. Christie Pits has been home to the Toronto Maple Leafs Baseball Club throughout its impressive history. The baseball fames have animated and enhanced Christi Pits for more than four decades.

Mr. Dominico's beloved wife and partner, Lynne, passed away in November 2008. Lynne Dominico was honoured with the players wearing an "LD" patch on their uniforms throughout the 2009 season. Furthermore, Jack and Lynne Dominico are so respected by the other owners, players, and organizers of the Inter-county Baseball League that the league's playoff trophy was named after them - the Jack and Lynne Dominico Trophy.

Mr. Dominico continues the tradition of bringing former major league baseball players to the opening game and hosting a banquet for fans the night before the game.

Considering their contribution to our community and the City of Toronto, and their dedication to the club and amateur baseball in Ontario, I believe it is most appropriate that Jack and Lynne Dominico be recognized by of the naming of the main diamond in Christie Pits as Dominico Field. This has community support, in the form of a petition.

Sincerely,

Joe Pantalone  
Deputy Mayor  
City of Toronto

cc: Ms. Monica Gupta, Chair, Friends of Christie Pits  
Mr. Mike Zimmerman