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To: Etobicoke York Community Council

Re: Renaming of Woolner Park to Baldwin Park

## **SUMMARY:**

A request has come to my office to re-name Woolner Park, located in Ward 11, to Baldwin Park, in honor of Marie Jean Baldwin, a long-time resident and volunteer in Ward 11 who passed away July 22, 2010.

Marie Jean Baldwin, who spent upwards of forty years volunteering in her community, was an inspiration to all who met her. Whether she was volunteering at a local food bank or organizing community events including multicultural festivals, women's groups, and children's activities, Marie showed her strong commitment to the community and to bettering the lives of those around her. Marie was involved with the Syme Woolner Neighborhood & Family Centre, and frequently held BINGO nights to help raise money for the Centre and the services they provide. In addition, as a strong advocate for youth, Marie played a large role in getting a new playground for Woolner Park, which continues to be heavily used today.

Throughout her life, Marie Jean Baldwin did whatever she could to give back to her community and help those around her. Re-naming Woolner Park to Baldwin Park will honor Marie's memory and the many things she did to better the community and the lives of those within it.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation report to a future meeting of Etobicoke York Community Council with a recommendation to rename Woolner Park in Ward 11 to Baldwin Park.

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