RESOLUTION NO. 325

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING AN HISTORIC PLACE NAMES POLICY AND THE PROCEDURE FOR DESIGNATION OF CITY PLACE NAMES.

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to encourage the use of historic place names to better foster community identity and character, and to establish a procedure for the designation of city historic place names

WHEREAS, RCW gives the City Council full authority to name or rename public streets within the City by Ordinance. And, whereas, the City Council as the governing body and property owner is also empowered to name city-owned places by motion or Resolution; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Historic Place Names Policy</u>. An historic place names policy is hereby established for designation of City historic place names by the City Council.

Section 2. <u>Historic Names Defined.</u> For the purposes of this policy, Historic Names shall refer to individual persons, families or groups, places or events deemed by the City Council to be of historic significance in the community's past history or development, to recognize or honor persons who have provided significant leadership or volunteerism contributions in support of the community's development and recent history, or persons or groups who have made significant financial contributions enhancing overall community quality of life.

Section 3. <u>Designation Procedure.</u> The City Council shall designate Historic Place Names for streets by Ordinance and for any other City-owned parks, buildings, or properties by Resolution. The City Council may wish to invite more broad-based community input or to involve the assistance of various community groups to advise on Historic Place Names nominations, selection and designation. If so, the following steps or guidelines may be used:

- 1. <u>Suggestion</u>. Any individual may suggest to the City Council that they consider an Historic name or designate an Historic Place.
- 2. <u>Place Designation</u>. The Council shall decide by motion if a particular place should be used for an Historic Place Name designation.
- 3. <u>Historic Name Nominations</u>. The Council may then announce or invite nominations by community individuals or groups to suggest possible Historic Names for the designated place by a certain date. Nominations shall be received by the City Clerk, including any initial suggestions from step #1.
- 4. <u>Screening Committee.</u> The City Council may appoint and ask for recommendations from a Screening Committee;
- 5. <u>Selection.</u> The City Council shall consider the recommendations of the Screening Committee, and then select and designate the Historic Place Name, by Ordinance for Streets and by Resolution for Parks, Buildings or City-owned property.

Section 4. <u>Effective</u> Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 17, 2001.

Jorna Smith Lorna Emith, Mayor ATTEST:

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