## Naming Rights Agreement

This Naming Rights Agreement ("Agreement"), effective as of December 16, 2019 ("Effective Date"), is made and entered into by and between Mark Neal (hereinafter, "Mr. Neal"), whose address is 112 W. Jefferson Blvd., Suite #300, and the City of South Bend, Indiana, Department of Venues Parks & Arts, by and through its Board of Park Commissioners (hereinafter the "City"), (each a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties").

## RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City owns certain amenities, namely a community room, located at Howard Park, 219 S. St. Louis Blvd., South Bend, Indiana 46617 (the "room"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into a naming rights agreement pursuant to which the City will grant Mr. Neal temporary exclusive naming rights for the City's community room at Howard Park in return for certain benefits set forth below.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the following mutual promises, and all other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

## **AGREEMENT**

- 1. <u>Term.</u> The Initial term of this Agreement shall be for ten (10) years, commencing on December 16, 2019 and ending on December 15, 2029, unless otherwise terminated earlier in accordance with the terms and conditions contained herein. The Parties by mutual written agreement may extend the term of the this Agreement.
- 2. <u>Naming Rights Fee.</u> In considertion of the naming rights and ancillary benefits granted by the City hereunder, Mr. Neal agrees to pay a naming rights fee in the amount of twenty thousand ("\$20,000") dollars, in the manner and amounts set forth below ("Naming Rights Fee").
- Naming Rights Payment Schedule. Mr. Neal has the option to pay the Naming Rights Fee to the City over a period of four (4) years. The initial payment of five (\$5,000) dollars shall be paid no later than December 31st, 2019 and then the three remaining payments shall be paid annually in accordance with the following schedule:

Naming Rights Fee Amount	Due Date
\$5,000	December 31, 2019
\$5,000	December 31, 2020
\$5,000	December 31, 2021
\$5,000	December 31, 202
Total: \$20,000	

Mr. Neal may accelerate the payment of any or all of these payments at any time, at Mr. Neal's discretion, as long as the cumulative total of all payments meets the total

amount of \$20,000 as agreed by the Parties. Payments shall be paid by Mr. Neal to the City via check or electronic funds transfer acceptable to Mr. Neal and the City.

- 4. <u>Use of Payments</u>. The payments shall be used exclusively for the Howard Park Development Project.
- Acknowledgment. In consideration for the payment of the consideration and ancillary benefits granted hereunder, the City agrees to acknowledge Mr. Neal's naming rights during the term of this Agreement by naming the northern most Howard Park community room via a mututally agreed upon name upon the community room wall, as well via a logoed plaque inside of the room. This agreement also includes a "leaf" upon the permanent donor wall inside of the Howard Park Community Center. Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Mr. Neal's naming rights will continue for the ten year term of this Agreement. Any additional benefits or rights granted to Mr. Neal beyond those specified in this section must be mutually agreed to by the Parties and are subject to the payment of additional consideration in an amount agreed to by the Parties.
- 6. Modification of Naming. If during the term of this Agreement, and following receipt of full payment from Mr. Neal, the useful life of the Howard Park community room expires prior to the expiration of this Agreement, the room is destroyed or severely damaged, then the naming rights under this Agreement will cease. In such event, the Parties may mutually agree to provide Mr. Neal and equivalent naming right.
- Promotion. During the term of this Agreement, the City, in consideration of the naming rights and benefits conferred hereunder, shall have the right, without charge, to photograph, use the names, likenesses, and images of Mr. Neal's community room in photographic, audiovisual, digital or any other form of media (the "Media Materials") and to use, reproduce, distribute, exhibit, and publish the Media Materials in any manner, and in whole or in part, in City brochures, website postings, informational and marketing materials, and reports and publications.
- 8. **Ownership**. Mr. Neal acknowledges that at all times the ownership of the room remains with the City.
- 9. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement and the rights and benefits hereunder may not be assigned by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent shall be in the sole and absolute discretion of the non-assigning Party.
- 10. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be deemed to be delivered, whether or not actually received, when deposited in the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to a Party, and the addresses set forth below:

Mark Neal	City of South Bend, Indiana
112 W. Jefferson Blvd Suite. #300	Venues Parks & Arts Department
South Bend, IN 46601	219 S. St. Louis Street
Attn:	South Bend, IN 46617

Attn:		

- 11. **Termination of Naming**. In addition to any rights and remedies available at law, the City may terminate this Agreement and all rights and benefits of Nr. Neal hereunder, including termination of naming rights and affixation of the logoed plaques or signs upon the occurrence of the following:
  - a. In the event Mr. Neal fails to make any payment due under this Agreement; and such default is not cured within ten ("10") business days following the date of written notice of default by the City; or
  - b. In the City's reasonable opinion, at any time during the term of this Agreement, Mr. Neal or the chosen name of the room have developed or acquired a negative connotation for any reason such that the reputation of Howard Park and/or the City is or might be at risk.

If termination is due to failure of payment, as of the effective date of termination, the City shall have no further obligation or liability to Mr. Neal and shall not be required to return any portion of the Naming Rights Payment already received; and the City may immediately cease to use or display the room plaque. Mr. Neal will be liable to the City for payment of all costs and expenses incurred by the City in removing, discarding, and/or replacing the room name. The City may in its sole and absolute discretion determine an alternative recognition for the portion of the payment already received.

If termination is due to a change in circumstances such that the City determines Mr. Neal or the room name have developed or acquired a negative connotation that may or does put the reputation of Howard Park and/or the City at risk, Mr. Neal shall not be entitled to a refund of any portion of the payment made.

Should Mr. Neal decide to end afflilation with Howard Park during the timeframe outlined in this agreement, Mr. Neal will be responsible for the payment to remove the name of the room.

- 12. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, which together shall constitute one and the same agreement among the parties.
- 13. **Entire Agreement**. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties with regard to the matters referenced herein, and supersedes all prior oral and written agreements, if any, of the Parties in respect hereto. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by written agreement executed by both Parties hereto. The captions inserted in this Agreement are for convenience only and in no way define, limit, or otherwise describe the scope or intent of this Agreement, or any provision hereof, or in any way affect the interpretation of this Agreement.
- 14. **Governing Law and Venue**. This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Indiana and the City of South Bend, without regard to any conflict of law. Any legal proceeding brought in connection with

disputes relating to or arising out of this Agreement shall be filed and heard in the courts of St. Joseph County, Indiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement is executed by the Parties as of the day and year indicated above.

CITY OF SOUTH BEND, INDIANA BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

MARK NEAL

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