

RESOLUTION NO. 6696

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE RENAMING OF THE FREEMAN PARK BASEBALL FIELD TO ICHIKAWA NIPPON YAKYU FIELD TO RECOGNIZE THE LONG-STANDING RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR JAPANESE SISTER CITY

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered a request to change the name of the Freeman Park Baseball Field to recognize and celebrate the long-standing relationship with the City of Ichikawa, Japan; and

WHEREAS, The City of Ichikawa, Japan established their Sister City relationship in 1963 and share a common appreciation for the sport of baseball; and

WHEREAS, the change would highlight their upcoming visit in July 2025, which would welcome youth coming to the City of Gardena to play the beloved sport; and

WHEREAS, the renaming of the Freeman Park Baseball Field would be in compliance with the Policy Guidelines for Naming of City Facilities established January 11, 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA DOES FIND, DETERMINE AND RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Gardena, California approves the request and changes the name of Freeman Park baseball diamond to Ichikawa Nippon Yakyu Field; and

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall be effective immediately.

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BE IT FURTHER RESESOLVED that the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution of said City; and shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the proceedings of the City Council of said City in the minutes of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted.

Passed, approved and adopted this 25th day February 2025.

Tasha Cerda, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Mina Semenza

MINA SEMENZA, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carmen Vasquez

CARMEN VASQUEZ, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS:
CITY OF GARDENA)

I, **MINA SEMENZA**, City Clerk of the City of Gardena, do hereby certify that the whole number of members of the City Council of said City is five; that the foregoing Resolution, being **Resolution No. 6696** duly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City of Gardena, approved and signed by the Mayor of said City, and attested by the City Clerk, all at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the **25th day of February 2025**, and that the same was so passed and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: MAYOR PRO TEM TANAKA, COUNCIL MEMBERS HENDERSON
 FRANCIS AND LOVE, AND MAYOR CERDA

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Becky Romero
City Clerk of the City of Gardena, California

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