

## A RESOLUTION HONORING ROBERT W. JONES

WHEREAS, *Salt Lake City resident Robert W. Jones, has served as the driving force behind the Emigration Baseball League for more than 35 years; and*

WHEREAS, *Mr. Jones graciously contributed thousands of volunteer hours of service and commitment to the youth of the community-sponsored baseball league, and*

WHEREAS, *Mr. Jones' service as manager, organizer and chief fundraiser provided an organized, well-run baseball experience for more than 7,000 young people between the ages of six and thirteen; and*

WHEREAS, *Mr. Jones dedicated himself to sustaining the Emigration Baseball League and providing opportunities for children to experience, learn and strengthen their baseball skills, leadership skills, confidence and character; and*

WHEREAS, *Mr. Jones has influenced children's lives by serving as an outstanding role model and mentor. His strong leadership, vision, tenacity, integrity, caring nature and compassionate spirit have made a positive difference in children's lives and the community; and*

WHEREAS, *Mr. Jones demonstrated strong supervisory skills as he managed the baseball diamond lease and worked with the City for maintenance and repairs of the baseball fields; and*

WHEREAS, *Mr. Jones trained and encouraged over 100 coaches to ensure that each player in the league received a positive experience; and*

WHEREAS, *Mr. Jones' commitment and belief in the league and children were always evident as he often carried the financial responsibility, even when revenues did not cover the expenses; and*

WHEREAS, *Mr. Jones faithfully provided service and volunteered time with never the expectation of financial compensation; and*

WHEREAS, *East Bench community residents, parents and participants in the baseball league have sincerely and strongly expressed support for Mr. Jones to be honored and recognized for his service to the community;*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

*that the Salt Lake City Mayor and the Salt Lake City Council recognize Robert W. Jones for his years service and dedication to the Emigration Baseball League and to the youth of his community; and*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

*that the Salt Lake City Mayor and Salt Lake City Council are pleased to honor Robert W. Jones by naming the baseball field as Robert W. Jones Baseball Diamond, located north of the tennis courts at Sunnyside Park in Salt Lake City, Utah.*

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*Salt Lake City Mayor*

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