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Mr. James Spengler Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities 1108 Jefferson Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Jim:

Thanks to the efforts of a number of people, including you and others on your staff, we are fast approaching the installation of the Miracle Field at the Lee Center field complex. It is now appropriate to consider what we want to call the new Field. We, as the Board of Directors of the Miracle League of Alexandria, in partnership with the Kelley Cares Foundation Board, recommend calling the new Field "The Kelley Cares Miracle Field".

This would honor a great Alexandria organization that has been instrumental in supporting the needs of the therapeutic recreation community over the past several years. As you are well aware, they have donated significant funds and equipment to the City for use in the Therapeutic Recreation program. Their namesake, Kelley Swanson, was an active supporter of activities for our special needs citizens. The Kelley Cares Foundation has honored her memory with their donations or funding of such things as a multi-sensory room, a passenger van for the transport of special needs individuals, a mobile multi-sensory lab to take to our schools, and technical equipment to help our citizens function better.

It is appropriate to name the new Field after the organization not only because of their activities cited above, but also because they are the single largest monetary private sector donor contributing to the installation of the Field. They alone have donated \$40,000 to the cause. The combination of their continuing work in the special needs arena along with the significant monetary donation make them a worthy candidate for the name of this very special Field.

We would appreciate you taking the necessary steps to have the Field named "The Kelley Cares Miracle Field". We would be happy

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to meet with you and any one else to discuss this proposal further. Please contact me at (703) 683-6526 if we can be of assistance.

Thanks again for all the support that you and your office has shown on this project. We look forward to the dedication of "the Kelley Cares Miracle Field" this fall.

Sincerely,

William Rivers

William Rivers Chair, Miracle League of Alexandria

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