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August 16, 2011

Dr. Robert Garcia
1st District Councilman
City of Long Beach
Civic Center Plaza
333 West Ocean Blvd., 14th Floor
Long Beach, California 90802

Dear Robert,

I regret that I will not be able to attend the city council meeting where there will be a discussion of naming the 14th Street Park Basketball Court.

I wish to express my appreciation to you and your office for extending the request for input into the naming suggestions for this huge improvement in the 14th Park. As with any notable improvement to our parks and their various amenities, the choice of a name requires great care and thoughtfulness. It should represent the impact of the individual and his or her character on the community, which will also express our hopes for the youth who use the facility.

I think I join many of my neighbors in expressing support for recognizing the efforts of one of our most respected community leaders; one who has tirelessly expended himself in the improvement of Long Beach, and the lives of our youth and families. This individual shares his personal and political resources in making an impact that creates lasting effect on the whole of 14th Street Park, and our city.

Therefore, I respectfully request that the 14th Street Park Basketball facility be named "Knabe Court" – providing recognition to our 4th District County Supervisor, the Honorable Don Knabe.

Thank you and your fellow councilmembers for your thoughtful consideration of this request.

Serving together

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James K. Lewis".

Rev. James K. Lewis
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WASHINGTON SCHOOL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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We are writing to express our support for naming the new basketball courts on 14th Street the "Don Knabe Basketball Courts", in honor of Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe. Supervisor Knabe has been a great friend to Long Beach and to the Washington Neighborhood, ensuring funding for some of our most important projects over the years, and helping greatly improve our community. He deserves the recognition, and the residents of our neighborhood should be reminded what a good friend they have in Mr Knabe when they visit the new courts.

We are grateful to Supervisor Knabe and glad to support this honor.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Palacios". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Linda Palacios

Washington Neighborhood Association, President