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ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE RENAMING CENTRAL WILLIAMSON CREEK GREENBELT NATURE TRAIL TO THE TOM DONOVAN CENTRAL WILLIAMSON CREEK GREENBELT NATURE TRAIL AND WAIVING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CITY CODE CHAPTER 14-1 RELATED TO THE RENAMING OF PARKLAND.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. FINDINGS.

- A. Tom Donovan served our country in the US Air Force from 1965 to 1968 and by building homes as a master carpenter for 30 years with his own hands.
- B. Tom's lifetime commitment of environmental stewardship began as the organizer of the first ever Earth Day at El Camino College in 1970.
- C. He earned his Bachelor's degree from University of California San Diego.
- D. He has been an Austin resident since 1971.
- E. Tom earned his graduate degree from University of Texas.
- F. He has been a resident of the Southwood Neighborhood since 1980.
- G. Tom has been an active member of the Southwood Neighborhood Association and Chair of the Greenbelt Committee since 2005.
- H. Tom served as President, Co-Founder and garden box builder of the Emerald Wood Community Garden 2013-2019.
- I. He served as the Public Green & Wild's founding Board Chairman (2017-2019).
- J. Tom led the city-wide effort to establish Certified Wildflower Meadows on parkland through an Austin Parks Foundation grant he secured in 2017.
- K. He was an active member of Go Austin! Vamos Austin! Creek Adopter of the Central Williamson Creek Greenbelt 2013 - 2019 by personally removing hundreds of ligustrums, as well as other invasives.
- L. Tom served the City as a Parks and Recreation Board Member since 2014, and representing District 5 since 2015.

