TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



Eddie Rodriguez Fifty-First District

September 18, 2019

The Honorable Steve Adler, Mayor and Members of the Austin City Council City of Austin 301 West 2nd Street Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Mayor Adler and Members of the City Council:

It is my pleasure to write in support of the effort to rename the Dove Springs Recreation Center for George Morales III. As state representative for House District 51, which includes Dove Springs, I have had the privilege of working alongside George for many years. He is a stalwart champion for the people of Dove Springs and I am honored to consider him a dear friend.

George has actively served the people of Dove Springs as a community leader, a public servant and a volunteer for most of his life. His fierce commitment to the community is legendary and he has been recognized for his work by community groups, civic leaders and virtually every level of government from the City of Austin to President Obama.

As a member of the Dove Springs Recreation Center Advisory Board Member for 20 years and president of the board since 2010, George is an integral part of the Dove Springs Recreation Center and the driving force behind the Center's vital role in the Dove Springs community. Under his leadership, the Center has spearheaded countless events to support the people of Dove Springs, including Thanksgiving dinners, Christmas toy drives and an annual backpack and school supply drive that serves thousands of local children.

Professionally, George has dedicated his career to public service. As the Travis County Constable for Precinct 4 since 2016, he has made community policing a priority and his team members can be seen at nearly every community event. His work fostering relationships between law enforcement and the community, including mentorship and scholarship programs, was recognized by the State of Texas Commission on Law Enforcement with the "Achievement Award for Public Service," an honor rarely awarded to constables.

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George Morales exemplifies the best of Dove Springs and the Dove Springs Recreation Center. Because of his deep roots in Dove Springs and his years of service to both the community and the Center, I wholeheartedly recommend naming the Dove Springs Recreation Center the George Morales Dove Springs Recreation Center.

Sincerely,

Eddie Rodriguez

Texas State Representative, HD 51

cc: Mayor Pro Tem Delia Garza, District 2

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