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Steven Rudman
Executive Director
Home Forward
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Re: Hillsdale Terrace Name

Dear Mr. Rudman:

I am writing on behalf of the Hillsdale Neighborhood Association (HNA). At our regular meeting on November 2, 2011, by a 10 to 4 vote, we voted to request the suggested new name for Hillsdale Terrace, "Stephens Creek Crossing" not be used unless and until identical standard Parks signage for the Raz Baack Crossing of Stephens Creek be put in place along both SW Bertha Blvd and SW Capitol Hill Road, both arterials in the Hillsdale Neighborhood.

The reason we make this request is that we fear confusion between the two "crossings" will lead many people astray. It is our feeling that only by having the Raz Baack Crossing well marked will the confusion be reduced.

A current grant will pay for one sign along the park's northern border (SW Bertha Blvd.), in addition to new ADA trail access from SW Bertha. The design of the sign is still under development and Parks staff has been receptive to recent suggestions to increase the font size to more prominently highlight the name, Raz-Baack Crossing. Portland Parks Bureau has not provided funding for the second sign along SW Capitol Hill Road.

Home Forward has offered to contribute up to \$1500 towards the costs the second sign and a historical marker. HNA does not believe these funds are sufficient. Our neighborhood has worked long and hard for Stephens Creek Park and the Raz Baack Crossing is a citizen led, financed and constructed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mikal Apenes', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Mikal Apenes
President

CC: Nick Fish
Pamela Kambur
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