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RESOLUTION NO. _____
NAMING STAMFORD HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL, BASEBALL AND SOCCER FIELDS AS
DONNA LOPIANO / TITLE IX FIELD, ROBERT “Bobby” AUGUSTYN DIAMOND AND
MARIO CAMINITI SOCCER FIELD
IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 21
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21-1 of the Code of Ordinances, a request to name Stamford High School softball, baseball and soccer fields in honor of Donna Lopiano, Robert “Bobby” Augustyn and Mario Caminiti was submitted to the Board of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Section 21-3.B of the Code of Ordinances provides that a park or facility may be named to memorialize any person, inter alia, who has been deceased for more than six months prior to the request and contributed substantially to the establishment of such park or facilities or due to such person’s contribution to the entire community; and

WHEREAS, Section 21-3.B of the Code of Ordinance provides that upon a showing of good cause, the Board of Representatives may waive any of the aforementioned requirements by a resolution of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the entire Board; and

WHEREAS, on _____ the Board of Representatives waived the requirement that Stamford High School softball, baseball and soccer fields be named to memorialize three people who have been deceased for more than six months by a resolution of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the entire Board; and

WHEREAS, Donna Lopiano graduated Stamford High School in 1964, has been a national leader in advancing equity in athletics through her instrumental role in the development and implementation of Title IX nationwide; and has been inducted into 13 Halls of Fame, including the Stamford HS Hall of Fame, CT women’s Hall of Fame and National Softball Hall of Fame; and at the age of 16 she was offered to play for the CT Brakettes, a championship women’s softball team; and was hired as the first Director of Women’s Athletics at the University of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Robert “Bobby” Augustyn graduated Stamford High School in 1972 has been one of the most accomplished student-athletes in Stamford’s history; and played baseball and football at Stamford High, winning state championship in 1970 and selected All-County in baseball; and joined Stamford High School in 1978, serving as both a school counselor and coach (baseball and football), including leading the baseball program to a state championship; and he is a member of the FCIAC Hall of Fame as both a player and a coach; and

WHEREAS, Mario Caminiti served as the boys soccer coach at Stamford High School for 42 years, while also working as a teacher and department head; and was named Outstanding Soccer Coach of the Year by the Connecticut High School Coaches Association (CHSCA) in 2012; and was inducted into the FCIAC Hall of Fame in 2018; and his dedication and leadership have left a lasting legacy on Stamford High School athletics and the soccer program which has been one of the state’s very best programs for decades.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE 32st BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT Stamford High School softball, baseball and soccer fields be named as Donna Lopiano / Title IX Field, Robert “Bobby” Augustyn Diamond and Mario Camini Soccer Field.

This resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.