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**ANC3C Resolution 2023-CONSENT**  
**Resolution To Support Naming Reservation 630 In Honor Of Georgia A. Ellard**  
**Retired Superintendent Of Rock Creek Park**

WHEREAS Reservation 630 is part of the National Park Service (NPS) Rock Creek Park, bounded by Tilden Street to the north, Picnic Area #1 just west of Tilden Street and Beach Drive to the east, Rodman Road to the south and Reno Road to the west, and therefore is within ANC 3C;

WHEREAS in 1941 Reservation 630 was administratively named by NPS for the recently deceased President of the DC Board of Governors, the de facto “Mayor” of the District of Columbia, prior to home rule; who was a notorious racist responsible for multiple policies that excluded and even removed people of color from all areas of the District west of Rock Creek Park;

WHEREAS the vestiges of these racist and segregationist policies remain ever present in Ward 3 today;

WHEREAS in 2021 in [response to requests](#) from the community and Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, NPS administratively removed that name from Reservation 630;

WHEREAS [Georgia Ellard](#) moved to Washington, DC, as she was beginning her life as a wife and mother when the nation’s capital was an almost entirely segregated city;

WHEREAS Georgia Ellard began working for the NPS in 1955 as a clerk typist at Fort Dupont, when there were few women or Black people employed in office positions at NPS;

WHEREAS Georgia Ellard rose through a series of increasingly responsible administrative positions within the National Park Service, including working in the Eastern Office of Design and Construction, the National Capital Region Personnel Office in the Main Interior Department building, and the Washington Service Center, and became the first woman administrative officer for the National Capital Parks Professional Support Office in 1974;

WHEREAS in February 1974, Georgia Ellard began working as administrative officer for the National Visitor Center in Union Station and helped launch and lead that centerpiece project for NPS in honor of the nation's Bicentennial, rising to be its General Manager;

WHEREAS Georgia Ellard became Assistant Superintendent of Rock Creek in 1981 and Acting Superintendent in 1983, and two years later was named Superintendent of Rock Creek Park, a position she held until her retirement from NPS in 1988, after 33 years of service to her country;

WHEREAS Georgia Ellard was the [first woman Superintendent and the first Black person to serve as Superintendent of Rock Creek Park](#);

WHEREAS Georgia Ellard's accomplishments and contributions to the community, the NPS, the District of Columbia and the United States have not previously been widely honored in the community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C urges the National Park Service to name Reservation 630 in honor of Georgia Ellard, and requests that the Mayor and Council of the District of Columbia and the Honorable Eleanor Holmes Norton assist and facilitate this naming;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the ANC authorizes the Chair and the Commissioner for 3C05 to represent the Commission on this matter.

**Attested by**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janell Pagats", written in a cursive style.

Janell Pagats  
**Chair, on July 17, 2023**

*This resolution was approved by voice vote on July 17, 2023, at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 8 commissioners) was present.*