

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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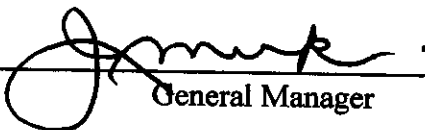
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION TO THE BALDWIN HILLS RECREATION AND CHILD CARE CENTER BY THE ESTATE OF WILTON N. "WILT" CHAMBERLAIN

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B. Lukehart	_____	K. Regan	_____
F. Mok	_____	J. Combs	_____



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Accept with gratitude the donation of \$28,000.00 from the Estate of Wilton N. "Wilt" Chamberlain for the benefit of Baldwin Hills Recreation and Child Care Center to acquire a passenger van and/or to support educational, recreational, or other cultural services at the Center, and direct the Board secretary to send recognition as further directed in this report.
2. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer funds from sub-account 1702 to sub-account 1751 within MRP Account 651(Department 88 - Fund 302, account number 001B).

SUMMARY:

Wilt Chamberlain passed away in 1999, and remains renowned as one of the greatest players in the history of professional basketball. His career lasted 14 seasons and he helped the Los Angeles Lakers win the NBA Championship in 1972. He set numerous league records and was elected to the Basketball Hall of Fame in 1978. Wilt Chamberlain was a great hero and a role model for many youth.

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In 2001, the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center Gymnasium was renamed and dedicated for Wilt Chamberlain. At the same time, Mr. Seymour S. Goldberg, trustee of the Estate of Wilt Chamberlain, asked the Baldwin Hills staff for donation suggestions and then subsequently authorized a gift of \$28,000 from the estate, to fund educational, recreational, transportation, and other cultural services at the Center.

The funds were deposited in the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center's MRP fund 651, account 1702. Since the deposit of the funds, the Board has adopted a new policy setting aside express sub-accounts for the deposit of donated funds. This transfer recommendation would place the funds in the proper sub-account for tracking purposes.

Recreation and Parks staff and the Baldwin Hills Park Advisory Board will confer on projects chosen to benefit the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center youth programming as specified by Mr. Chamberlain's Estate.

Recognition is to be sent to the Estate of Wilton N. Chamberlain, c/o Mr. Seymour S. Goldberg, 4519 Admiralty Way, #204, Marina Del Rey, CA 90292.

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