



**RESOLUTION NAMING THE PARK CITY SKATE PARK
THE ROGER HARLAN MEMORIAL SKATE PARK – “THE ROG”
AND ENCOURAGING CITIZENS TO ATTEND THE
“RIDE THE ROG” DEDICATION ON JUNE 26, 2010**

WHEREAS, Roger E. Harlan was born on June 28, 1935 in Los Angeles, California and unexpectedly passed away in Salt Lake City, Utah on January 5, 2010, leaving everyone he touched deeply saddened. But those fortunate enough to have had the opportunity to know him, often feel his presence through his lasting legacies throughout town which will be enjoyed by many for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Rog received his Masters Degree from Fuller Theological Seminary and in the late 1950's, joined Young Life, a non-profit Christian non-denominational ministry focusing on youth. Roger was not your typical ordained minister. His mischievousness, love of life and practical jokes, and most of all, ability to laugh at himself were all attributes that made him genuine, well loved, and an effective mentor; and

WHEREAS, while working in Dallas, Texas he met Marilyn Wyatt, also with Young Life. They were married on May 6, 1961. Roger's career with Young Life would eventually take the Harlan Family from Philadelphia to Toronto, Orange County, and Pittsburg before settling in Park City in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Rog's first contact with the 'City' came in the mid-1980s when he visited the Library, then located in the Miners Hospital Community Center and in his own words, "It was an amazing day. I walked around all three floors looking at the quality restoration that had been performed, and said "What kind of city would put this much effort into a public library?" That was it. Roger was hooked on Park City and its culture; and

WHEREAS, after moving here the Harlans immediately began giving back to the community. Roger brought Young Life to Utah and Marilyn was one of the founders of Friends of the Animals. Both non-profit organizations have been incredibly successful, significantly benefitting both our young and four-legged citizens; and

WHEREAS, in August 1992, Rog applied for and was selected to fill an unexpired term on City Council and at this point in time, *Roger the Statesman* was realized. His amicable style easily won him two elections and brought a great dynamic to the councils he served with over a total of ten years. During his four year sabbatical before returning to Council in 2006, he thoroughly enjoyed employment as a City bus driver, gaining a whole new perspective on his town; and

WHEREAS, commensurate with his life interests, he served as City liaison to the Library Board, Board of Education, Public Art Advisory Board, and Mountainlands Community Housing Trust. Roger also held positions on the Salt Lake Theological Seminary, Mountain Life Church and was the founding director of SportsLife, another non-profit Christian youth organization; and

WHEREAS, The Skate Park's grand opening occurred on July 4, 2001 and the expansion completed in 2006 and it is not surprising that recreation endeavors, including the Library, Ice Arena and Skate Park were among Roger's favorite projects, because of his commitment to education and sports and their direct association with and positive influence on the future of our children;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council hereby deem it appropriate to name the Park City Skate Park,

The Roger Harlan Memorial Skate Park – “The Rog”

And encourage the community to attend the *Ride the Rog Dedication*, celebrating his love of life on Saturday, June 26, 2010.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of June, 2010.

PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION


Mayor Dana Williams

Attest:


Janet M. Scott, City Recorder

