RESOLUTION

This Resolution is adopted this 7th day of October, 2008 by the Albany Parks & Recreation Commission.

WHEREAS, Jewel Okawachi has been a lifelong resident of Albany and a City Council member whose second term on the City Council will end this year;

WHEREAS, Albany has not only been Jewel's lifelong home but her place of work where for many years she ran a small business:

WHEREAS, Jewel has been a model public servant, elected to four year terms on the City Council in 2000 and 2004, serving as Mayor in 2002, serving on the City's Pension Board, serving as Council liaison to the Library Board, serving on the Waterfront Committee, serving on the Parks & Recreation Commission, and serving on the Waste Management Authority Board;

WHEREAS, Jewel has been a tireless volunteer for Albany, committing her time to the Albany Education Foundation, the Police Activities League, the City's Youth Task Force, the Prevention Council, the Drug & Alcohol Task Force, Albany Little League, the Boy Scouts, the first Teen Center, Albany High School Track & Field, Albany High Athletic Boosters, the Albany Community Foundation, the Albany Chamber of Commerce, the Solano Avenue Association, the Albany Historical Society, the Friends of the Albany Library, the Friends of the Albany Seniors, and Soroptimist International;

WHEREAS, among all her other work on behalf of Albany Jewel has been particularly dedicated to Albany's Parks and green space.;

WHEREAS, Jewel's longtime daily routine includes a walk through her neighborhood park, Terrace Park; and

WHEREAS, over the course of her lifetime Terrace Park has become "Jewel's park."

NOW, THEREFORE, the Albany Parks & Recreation Commission hereby resolves as follows:

To recommend to the City Council that Terrace Park be renamed as "Jewel's Terrace Park."