# CITY OF OAKLAND

# Interoffice Memorandum

# Office of Parks and Recreation

TO:

Jeffrey Taylor, Chair, Parks and Recreation Advisory

Commission

FROM:

Mark Hall, Office of Parks and Recreation

DATE:

SUBJECT:

Request from the Office of Parks and Recreation on behalf of the Office of

Ronald V. Dellums to name the Defremery Park Technology Lab after

Mary Ann Wright.

#### SUMMARY

The Office of Parks and Recreation has received a request from the Office of Ronald V. Dellums, to name the technology lab at Defremery Park after Mary Ann Wright in recognition and remembrance of her tireless dedication and service to those most in need within the City of Oakland. The Defremery Park Technology Lab will provide free access and opportunities for our most impacted and disadvantaged citizenry to share in the advances of society, just as Mary Ann Wright dedicated herself to the equal dissemination of resources and amenities for survival.

## FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no fiscal impact on the Office of Parks and Recreation. The Defremery Park Technology Lab will be free and open to the public, and operated under the jurisdiction of the Office of Parks and Recreation.

## BACKGROUND

The Office of Parks and Recreation received a grant from the State of California Roberti Z. Berg grant to institute a sustainable, technology literacy program within the Office of Parks and Recreation, to serve those most in need of such essential and empowering services as technology and computer access. The opening and naming of the technology lab will signify a public offering of pubic goods, and illustrate the appreciation and support the memory of an exemplary Oakland resident and pioneer of public service.

### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission approve the request for the naming of the Defremery Park Technology Lab in recognition of Mary Ann Wright.

Respectfully submitted,

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