

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 196

Approved April 23, 2025

WHEREAS, The Mount Pleasant Little League has been a cornerstone of youth sports in Providence, fostering teamwork, discipline, and a love for the game of baseball for generations of young athletes; and

WHEREAS, The league's success and enduring impact would not have been possible without the dedication, leadership, and contributions of individuals who have given their time, passion, and expertise to support the growth and development of young players; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold Hahn played a pivotal role in establishing the Mount Pleasant Little League in 1951, during Little League's inaugural year in Providence, and was instrumental in expanding the league from its original four teams, with uniforms lovingly hand-sewn by his wife; and

WHEREAS, Tom Izzo served as a distinguished coach in the Mount Pleasant Little League from 1978 to 1993, leading the Boys Major All-Star team to a historic victory in the 1990 State Little League Championship over Warwick West Side Little League, a landmark achievement in the league's history; and

WHEREAS, Leo Tracy Jr., a lifelong Smith Hill and Elmhurst resident, has dedicated over 30 years to coaching and running the Mount Pleasant Little League, making an indelible mark on fast-pitch softball by leading teams to three consecutive state championships from 2002 to 2004 and achieving unprecedented success at the Eastern Little League Fastpitch Senior/Big League Regionals; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper to honor the contributions of these remarkable individuals by naming the fields at Mount Pleasant Little League in their honor.

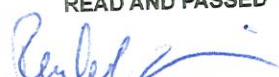

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby designates the baseball fields at Mount Pleasant Little League as follows:

- Field 1, located closest to Mount Pleasant Avenue, shall be named Leo Tracy Jr. Field in recognition of his decades of dedication to coaching and leadership in fast-pitch softball.
- Field 2, the field farthest from the road and parking lot, shall be named Tom Izzo Field in honor of his distinguished coaching career and championship legacy.
- Field 3, located closest to the current Mount Pleasant High School parking lot, shall be named Dr. Arnold Hahn Field in tribute to his foundational role in establishing and growing the league.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council recognizes and commends the lasting impact of Dr. Arnold Hahn, Tom Izzo, and Leo Tracy Jr. on the Mount Pleasant Little League and the Providence community, ensuring that their contributions will be remembered and celebrated by future generations of players, coaches, and families; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the families of Dr. Arnold Hahn, Tom Izzo, and Leo Tracy Jr., as a tribute to their enduring legacy; to the Mount Pleasant Little League Board of Directors, in recognition of their commitment to youth sports; and to the City of Providence Department of Public Works and the Board of Parks Commissioners to ensure the honorary field designations are duly recorded and implemented.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ AND PASSED


RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT

CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.



Mayor

Date: 4/23/25