

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 110

EFFECTIVE February 14, 2019

WHEREAS, Omar Polanco was born on March 15, 1993 in Providence, RI; and

WHEREAS, Upon graduating from the Met High School in June 2011, he went to RIC for a semester and then CCRI; and

WHEREAS, He was a friendly and outgoing person who loved to help others and put a smile on people's faces; and

WHEREAS, He was loved by his family and friends as well as the greater Providence community; and

WHEREAS, Omar was shot and killed on September 8, 2012 at his home, an unfortunate case of mistaken identity; and

WHEREAS, He is survived by his parents, Jenny and Nolberto Polanco, as well as his older brother and sister; and

WHEREAS, Omar Polanco will be remembered as a dear friend and a beloved family member; and

WHEREAS, Naming the Fogarty Basketball court by Mary Fogarty Elementary School in honor of Omar Polanco's memory would be an appropriate and fitting tribute to his life.

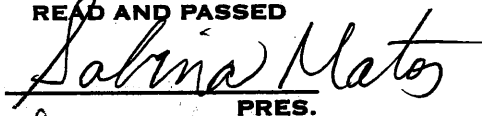
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does respectfully request that the Board of Parks Commissioners name the Fogarty Basketball Court, "Omar Polanco Basketball Court."

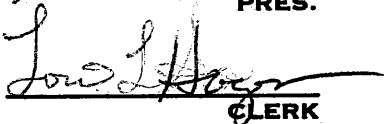
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the Board of Parks Commissioners, the Superintendent of Parks, and the family of Omar Polanco.

IN CITY COUNCIL

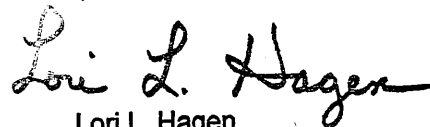
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READ AND PASSED

  
PRES.

  
CLERK

Effective without the  
Mayor's Signature

  
Lori L. Hagen  
City Clerk

## Board of Park Commissioners



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### NOTIFICATION

**RE:** Renaming of Harriet & Sayles Basketball Courts to the Omar Polanco Courts – Approved  
**TO:** The Family of the Late Omar Polanco  
**FROM:** Wendy Nilsson, Superintendent of Parks  
**DATE:** November 15, 2018

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At the November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners, Wendy Nilsson requested, on behalf of the family of Omar Polanco and Councilman Luis Aponte, to rename the Harriet and Sayles Park Basketball Courts to Omar Polanco Courts. The renaming of the court pays tribute to beloved neighborhood youth Omar Polanco, who was killed in 2012 in a case of mistaken identity. The Board of Park Commissioners unanimously authorized the name change and extended their condolences to the family. Work will commence on the revitalization of the courts in the spring of 2019.