

RESOLUTION 2006 - 192

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA DECLARING THE NAMING OF THE NEW PARK ON RATTLESNAKE ISLAND AS "HELEN MELLON SCHMIDT PARK" TO BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH RESOLUTION NO. 99-152 REGARDING POLICY FOR THE NAMING OF PUBLIC FACILITIES. ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD; APPROVING THE FACILITY NAME.**

WHEREAS the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County established a policy for the naming of public facilities as Resolution 99-152; and,

WHEREAS Exhibit "A" of Resolution 99-152 (Item 6) states, "Donors of land and/or large sums of money will be considered in the naming of a resulting public facility or integral parts thereof, if possible..." and,

WHEREAS the Schmidt family donated 37 acres at Rattlesnake Island to the County for park and recreation purposes at Rattlesnake Island in 1985; and,

WHEREAS Thomas M. Schmidt and other residents have petitioned the Recreation Advisory Board to recommend the naming of the park property after his 91 year old mother, Helen Mellon Schmidt; and,

WHEREAS the policy requires the recommendation of the Recreation Advisory Board; and,

WHEREAS the Recreation Advisory Board, at their May 4, 2006 meeting approved recommending the naming of this park,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA that the park at Rattlesnake Island be named "Helen Mellon Schmidt Park"

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2006, by the Board of County Commissioners, St. Johns County, Florida.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By

James E. Bryant  
Its Chair

ATTESTED: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

By

Patricia DeGrande  
Deputy Clerk

Effective Date 6-13-06

Rendition Date 6-14-06

RESOLUTION NO. 99 - 152

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR  
THE NAMING OF PUBLIC FACILITIES.**

**WHEREAS** the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County desire to establish a policy for the naming of public facilities, and

**WHEREAS** this policy would encourage facility names that describe the public facility, its geographic location, and its historical or ecological relationship to the indigenous region, and

**WHEREAS** this policy would prohibit the naming of public facilities after a living person, and

**WHEREAS** donors of land and/or significant funds may be considered in the naming of a public facility, or integral part thereof, if possible, and

**WHEREAS** this policy would, in no way, restrict the donations of items to a facility with a name plaque to reflect the donor, and

**WHEREAS** the naming of public facilities will be through the appropriate advisory board, if applicable with all proposed names sent to the Board of County Commissioners for final selection following the guidelines as stated in Attachment "A" of this Resolution.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA** that a policy for the naming of public facilities be adopted as stated in Attachment "A," and made a part of this Resolution.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 26 day of October, 1999, by the Board of County Commissioners, St. Johns County, Florida.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: *Mary Malone*  
Its Chair

**ATTESTED: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK**

By: *Patricia De Grande*  
Deputy Clerk

## EXHIBIT A

### POLICY FOR THE NAMING OF ALL PUBLIC FACILITIES

The following is the policy for the naming of public facilities<sup>1</sup>:

1. Consideration should be given to names describing the public facility, its geographic location, and its historical or ecological relationship indigenous to the region, making it easier for persons outside the neighborhood to identify the facility.
2. Proposals to name facilities after persons are restricted to those persons who are deceased. A waiting period of no less than twelve months from the death will be maintained. The term "memorial" should not be used, as that term generally becomes common name and detracts from the intent of naming the facility after the individual.
3. Donors of land and/or large sums of money will be considered in the naming of a resulting public facility or integral parts thereof, if possible. Donations should be sufficient to pay for acquisition or development or maintenance in perpetuity.
4. Selection of a name to a section within a public facility, which is different from the name of the overall property, will follow the guidelines as stated.
5. When an existing name of a facility has been determined to be inappropriate, confusing, or ineffectual a new name may be selected following the guidelines as stated.
6. The process of the naming of facilities will be through the appropriate advisory board, if applicable. All citizens may submit names to the board at the meeting designated for such items. Proper notification of the meeting will be for a two-week period before the stated meeting date. All names will be sent to the Board of County Commissioners for final selection following the guidelines as stated above.

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<sup>1</sup> For the purposes of this policy, "facility" shall mean parks, recreation facilities, public buildings and roadways.

