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To: Council Chair Ernest Martin, & Members of the City Council

From: Nobu Yonamine, Resident of Momilani and Pearl City

Re: Resolution: renaming the Manana Neighborhood Park to the  
"Shigeo Ushiro Manana Neighborhood Park"

I am in strong support of this resolution and ask that you approve it in memory of an outstanding and dedicated grass-roots individual who devoted so many years to help improve, sustain, and nurture the good life in the Manana and Pearl City communities.

I had the good privilege of knowing and working with Shige Ushio for almost forty years.

He was an original settler of Manana before 1970. He stood out as a loving parent, a respected Principal of Highland Intermediate School during the critical years of its growth and expansion: for many years, he was a respected Past President and member of the Board of Directors of the Manana Community Association and the Pearl City Community Association; he was a caring parent and member of the Manana Elementary, Highlands Intermediate, and Pearl City High School PTSA's; and he was an active member of the Booster Clubs of the highly acclaimed Highlands Intermediate and Pearl City High School Bands.

Shige Ushio worked with and supported fund-raising for the schools, sports teams, Boy Scouts, the Pearl City Public Library, the Lion's Club, craft fairs, and gave so much to worthy programs, projects, scholarships, and special events in the Pearl City Complex.

He stood out as a leader, a leading voice, and collaborator who brought residents and professionals together to make the community a better place to live, work, and play for everyone, from the youth to senior citizens.

This resolution will be a tribute to this "helper of all seasons." Residents will continue to enjoy the beauty and facilities of this park as a gathering place which is dedicated to a person who symbolizes the spirit of working and playing together for a greater Manana.

Shige Ushio reached out to build communities and inspired others to step-up and continue the good fight on behalf of all.

Thank you again for the opportunity to communicate with you; thank you for your support of other extraordinary people who have made Hawaii Nei a special place.