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Recreation Center Renamed to Honor Community Champion Bill Adams

The City of Columbus, Department of Recreation and Parks, will dedicate the **William H. Adams Community Center** at Krumm Park, on Saturday, June 8, 2013, 1:30 pm. Mayor Michael Coleman will deliver the keynote address at the ceremony marking the renaming of the former Krumm Park Recreation Center. Krumm Park is located at 854 Alton Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43219.

William H. "Bill" Adams had a distinguished record of public service at the local and national levels. He was the 2012-2013 Lt. Governor Elect, Kiwanis International, Ohio Division. He is Past President of the Kiwanis Franklinton Club, Ohio Division, 10-W, Gladden Community House. He was very active in the Columbus Public Schools, volunteering as a member of the Parent Advisory Committee and the East Columbus Elementary School for over sixteen years. He was dedicated to changing the world one child, one neighborhood and one community at a time.

In May of 2000, Mr. Adams was elected Franklin County Ward Committeeman (Ward 26), Democratic Central Committee and received the endorsement of The Honorable Joyce Beatty, then State Representative. Bill Adams worked tirelessly to elect Congresswoman Beatty to the U.S. House of Representatives from the 3rd District and to elect and re-elect President Barack Obama.

William Adams served many government and civic groups, promoting community pride, neighborhood development, education awareness and crime reduction:

- Commissioner, City of Columbus, Recreation and Parks Commission
- Boy Scouts of America, East Columbus Elementary School, Cub Scouts Pack No.541
- Columbus Veterans Advisory Board
- Community Police Advisory Board, City of Columbus Police Department
- Federal Government AFGE Union Local No. 1148, Federal Government (Retired)
- East Columbus Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), Elementary School (CPS)
- East Fifth Avenue Business Association
- First Church of God Hospitality Ministry
- East Columbus Shepard Learning Center, Parent Advisory Committee (PAC CPS)
- Franklinton Kiwanis Club of Columbus, Gladden Community House
- Korean War Veterans Association of Central Ohio, Chapter No. 116
- Non-Violent Columbus Coalition
- Krumm Park Community Recreation Council (CRC)

Adams was employed by the federal government, starting at the Columbus Defense Supply Depot. Prior to retirement in 1989 he was Customer Representative for the Department of Defense, Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), in Washington, D.C. During his tenure with the DLA, he served as the key representative between the U.S. Air Force and DLA.

Affectionately known as "Buster" to friends and family, Adams died November 15, 2012 at age 83. Details on the life of William H. "Bill" Adams can be found at www.facebook.com/BusterAdams2012