

Resolve 2-11/12

Passage: 7/18/11 (6-0) (Anton,Donoghue,Leeman absent)

NICHOLAS M. MAVODONES (MAYOR)

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IN THE CITY COUNCIL

JOHN R. COYNE (5)

JOHN M. ANTON (A/L)

DORY RICHARDS WAXMAN (A/L)

JILL C. DUSON (A/L)

RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE CAREER AND PUBLIC SERVICE OF PORTLAND CITY MANAGER JOSEPH E. GRAY, JR. THROUGH THE NAMING OF THE JOSEPH E. GRAY, JR. TRAIL

WHEREAS, Joseph E. Gray, Jr. has committed more than forty years of his life to public service to the City of Portland; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Gray as a city planner and Director of the Department of Planning and Urban Development has been involved in many important initiatives and redevelopment efforts that have helped shape and modernize the City of Portland including the city's first homeownership and housing rehabilitation program, which helped support the renovation of hundreds of homes in the city; and

WHEREAS, during the decade of service as City Manager, Joseph Gray was able to advance a number of policies that have improved the quality of life within the city including the implementation of the *Bayside Vision*, which has led to the redevelopment of the blighted area into a mix-use urban community with new housing, office and retail uses, and undertook a number of significant transportation improvement projects including the construction of the Ocean Gateway International Marine Terminal as well as the Portland International Jetport Terminal expansion; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Gray helped shepherd the creation of the *Shoreway Access Plan*, which called for the construction of a network of trails throughout the city from the Eastern Promenade to the Presumpscot River; and

WHEREAS, as a testament to his vision, the city now has more than fifty miles of trails that weave in and out of neighborhoods from urban settings to commercial areas along the waterfront to quiet forests banking one of the city's cherished riverways, that are enjoyed by hundreds of thousands of residents and visitors alike every year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Portland City Council hereby names the city trail connecting the Eastern Promenade Trail to the Portland Downtown the *Joseph E. Gray, Jr. Trail* in honor of the contributions of Joseph Gray to the City of Portland and its people.