RESOLUTION NO. 1912

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND ACCEPTING A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 TO BE USED TO BUILD A DOG PARK IN THE CITY PARK ON LAND PREVIOUSLY SET ASIDE FOR THIS PURPOSE AND NAMING THE PARK THE "FRANCES J. TILGHMAN MEMORIAL DOG PARK."

WHEREAS, the City has been planning to build a Dog Park in the City for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Dog Park is to allow pet owners the opportunity to give their dogs recreation and exercise in an enclosed "off-leash" setting; to allow community members and families to enjoy recreational activities and the outdoors; to allow the dogs to socialize with one another; and

WHEREAS, M.W. "Mat" Tilghman, Jr. and M.W. "Bill" Tilghman, Sr. have offered to donate \$25,000.00 to the City to build the Dog Park.; and

WHEREAS, the amount to be donated is sufficient, along with previously committed grant funds and private contributions, to bring the project to completion; and

WHEREAS, the Messrs. Tilghman would like the park to be named "The Frances J. Tilghman Memorial Dog Park" in memory of their mother and wife, respectively: and

WHEREAS, Frances Tilghman spent a good portion of her life devoted to responsible pet ownership, dog breeding and caring for all breeds of dogs; was a founding member of the Salisbury Kennel Club; served several terms as the President of the Wicomico Humane Society; and loved the idea of a dog park in Salisbury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland does hereby accept a gift of \$25,000.00 from M.W. Tilghman Sr. and M.W. Tilghman, Jr. to help build a Dog Park in the City Park and agrees to name the Dog Park after Frances J. Tilghman.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced and duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on May 10, 2010, and is to become effective immediately.

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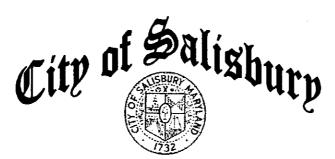
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> Deborah Stam DIRECTOR

DATE: April 28, 2010

TO: John Pick

FROM: Susan Wood

SUBJECT: Dog Park Donation Acceptance and Naming of Park "Frances J. Tilghman Memorial Dog

Park" Resolution

Attached please find a Resolution to accept the donation of \$25,000.00 offered By Mat Tilghman and his father to be given to the City to fund the Dog Park previously planned on land at the east end of the City Park designated for this purpose.

This donation, combined with the \$10,000.00 Project Open Space grant we have received, and donations from the community of over \$5000.00 to date, will ensure that the Dog Park is fully funded. Current estimates for the park are just under \$37,000.00 (including a \$4000.00 contingency amount.) I have received donations of over five hundred dollars in the past four days, and expect at least a thousand dollars more in the next few weeks from people who want to purchase a memorial park bench at the site. I am sure we will sell quite a few more bricks at \$50 each as construction begins and more of the public become aware.

The Tilghman family would like the park to be named in memory and honor of their mother and wife, Frances J. Tilghman, an avid dog lover and strong proponent of healthy and happy owner/pet/community relations.

Mat Tilghman and a few of the Dog Park Committee members would like to attend the Council Meeting of May 10, 2010, where this donation will hopefully be accepted by the council.

Please submit this Resolution to the City Council for the May 10th, 2010 meeting agenda. Thank you for your assistance.