RESOLUTION NO. 7810

CITY OF SOUTH GATE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA, NAMING THE SOUTH GATE SWIM STADIUM AS THE "PATRICIA G. MITCHELL SWIM STADIUM"

WHEREAS, Patricia G. Mitchell (Patti) began her involvement with the South Gate Swim Stadium shortly after it opened and was soon a stand out member of the swim team. She continued her swimming career with a swimming scholarship to Long Beach State where she competed in a premier collegiate swim program, completed her education and made many lifelong friends; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, while still in High School, Patti was hired by the City as a Recreation Aide and, after receiving her certifications, was promoted to Lifeguard for the City and in 1993 was hired full time as the Aquatics Coordinator, a position she held until her passing in January of 2018; and

WHEREAS, Patti touched countless lives in the South Gate community over the years, not just teaching children to swim, but inspiring them to reach higher and to expect more of themselves. When Patti started swimming, she was one of the few African American swimmers and she often used that experience to encourage young people that she was working with to overcome their own boundaries and obstacles to achieve their goals; and

WHEREAS, through more than 33 years of service to the City of South Gate, Patti was always a friendly voice, a happy smile and the face of aquatics for the South Gate community. Patti prided herself on the quality of the programs and of the facility that she ran. Most importantly, Patti ensured that the pool which served the South Gate community was safe, having no major incidents or injuries under her watch; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2018, Patricia G. Mitchell passed away losing her battle with cancer. Over her many years with the City, Patti had become synonymous with the South Gate Swim Stadium and Aquatics programs in South Gate. This Resolution will allow Patti to continue to inspire and motivate the young swimmers that she helped and dedicated her life to;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

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SECTION 1. For her commitment to service of the residents of South Gate and the Aquatic Profession and in recognition of her many contributions to the City of South Gate, the City Council hereby adopts this Resolution naming (on a non-exclusive basis) the South Gate Swim Stadium as the “Patricia G. Mitchell Swim Stadium.”

SECTION 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 24th day of April 2018.

CITY OF SOUTH GATE:

Maria Belén Bernal, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney
I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk of the City of South Gate, California, hereby certify that the whole number of Members of the City Council of said City is five; that Resolution No. 7810 was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on April 24, 2018, by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Bernal, Morales Davila, Diaz and Rios

Noes: Council Members: None

Absent: Council Members: None

Abstain: Council Members: None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on May 2, 2018.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
City of South Gate, California