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Dear Mayor and Clerk of Scarsdale,

I'm sure you have been overwhelmed and inundated by letters lauding the devotion of volunteer coach Rippy Philipps. I believe tonight you will publicly address the naming of Crossway.

This is a final last push to honor coach Philipps' devotion (even though this modest man would never expect honor.) Thank you to you and all who make out village, so special.

Best wishes

Barbara.

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> Dear Mayor and Clerk of Scarsdale,

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> In 1995 I was the PTA president of the Scarsdale Middle School.

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> At that time I was personally privileged to meet the new volunteer football coach, Rippy (Richard) Philipps on Crossway field. My 7th grade son Paul became a beneficiary of Rippy Philipp's coaching.

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> More impactful was the compassion of this coach when my husband suffered a fatal asthma attack. I was a young widow, my son aged 12 lost his father. Football became my sons passion under Rippy Philipps who mentored Paul till he became captain of Scarsdale High School Football. When he played for his college team in Lancaster Pennsylvania, this dedicated coach often drove hours to watch him compete when I was unable to do so.

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> Rippy Philipps 25 years later, now coaches my grandson!

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> This is but one story of how a man has volunteered his time tirelessly, and positively impacted hundreds of the lives of our families.

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> I urge, if not implore, you to honor such noble devotion by naming Crossway field The RIPPY PHILIPS field.

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> Most Sincerely

> Barbara Fix

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> Sent from my iPhone