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Dear Mayor and Clerk

Greetings from Ohio where I now live in Brecksville and have the honor to work at the Pro football Hall of Fame in Canton Ohio

I lived in Scarsdale from 1977 to 2005

33 Graham Road

6 Farley

25 Myrtledale

88 Popham

54 Palmer

And my parents at 1 Brookby Road

It was glorious and a great community for the Veras family

Yes it was beautiful leafy charming but it really was the people

But of the many I've known Rippy Philipps is at the top of the list

At the Pro football Hall of Fame we honor the game for what it teaches you about the game for life

That is what we teach the over 140,000 young adults from 48 states that come to the hall for football clinics and a two hour seminar at the Hall of Fame for the values of the game Teamwork courage and integrity termination hard work every year

That the game and life is actually about always getting knocked down only to get up stronger

That is the biggest lesson that 346 Hall of Famer's from the 5 million who played or coached the game exemplify will tell you got them to the Hall

That is why there are more free agents than overall number one draft picks in the hall

When you're in school who did you go to for advice, your teacher or coach?

Nine times out of 10 you go to the coach

And I will bet you they came to Rippy

Even though I left in 2005 I have family and friends in the area and I've gotten to know Rippy Philipps and the Phillipss family

They live a hall of fame life of giving back and giving of themselves with a passion and dedication like our Hall of Famers

Rippy has only changed but improve thousands of lives and made Scarsdale even a greater place to be part of

I encourage you to honor and inspire others renaming the field at Crossways

Richard "Rippy" Philipps Field of Dreams at Crossways

Yes I've added "of dreams

For he is the stuff that dreams are made of

With great respect

George

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