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**To:** Mayor  
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**Subject:** Rippy Philipps Field

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Dear Mayor: Thank you for your time in reading my letter. I have known Rippy Philipps since the 1<sup>st</sup> grade in Heathcote School. There is no finer representative on the Village of Scarsdale than Rippy. I have now known him for over 50 years. In short, Rippy loves people and gives his all to his community. In the 1980's he saw that Scarsdale Football was in jeopardy of no longer being able to field a team. Rippy had great passion for the Scarsdale Football program as player. He could not stand the thought of kids not getting the same experience he enjoyed. He took that passion and mixed it with a ton of his time and energy to build a youth program that welcomed all children who wanted to be part of a team. Over the years, he has positively impacted thousands of lives. Beyond that, as a program administrator and coach, Rippy has left no one behind. He wants every kid to play Scarsdale sports so that they learn how to be on a team. He has coached many players who have been stars in high school and college. But more importantly, he spent just as much time coaching kids who were not stars in high school and did not play in college. Those kids mattered to him. And while he did it, every child was made to feel important. Crossway's Field is across the street from Rippy's childhood home. We played there for hours after school, on weekends, and every summer. It is a special place and it should have the name of a very special man, Rippy Philipps. Thank you for your time. Joe Saccomano, 2 Jefferson Road.

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