

To: Marc Samwick Mayor of Scarsdale

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Subject: Rippy Phillips Acknowledgement

Dear Mayor,

The Scarsdale Inquirer article of January 29, 2021 prompted me to send a letter of support to acknowledge Rippy Phillip's decades of positive activism that has improved this community for every age group and a majority of youth and HS sport participants. Rippy Phillips and Rip Fisher co-lead the fund-raising for the HS Turf field and track. At the unveiling Rippy stood away from the platform and the crowd so not to draw attention to himself. Contrast this with a parent's jovial manner, "Rippy is up front about asking for money to improve youth sports, and I cannot imagine any parent saying no".

With the HS Turf field, it reduced dramatically the wear and tear of Dean Field by the Youth and HS Football programs. LL Baseball has a history of donating for improvements on any sports field in Scarsdale, it was eager in the case of the turf field the donation as it directly improved the safety for baseball youth and HS players at Dean Field.

Rippy is attentive to the maintenance of the fields at Supply and Crossway for safety directly related to youth football player safety. LL Baseball, youth softball, HS Baseball and HS Softball directly benefit from higher quality outfield grass all year long. At Supply field Rippy supported the conversion of the infields at supply field to regulation materials dramatically improved the safety the players.

The HS Track was redone based on the original funding of the Artificial Turf Football field. In addition to HS Track and field usage, all ages in our community heavily use the track as a location for safe exercise. During COVID-19 usage climbed as many younger athletes trained individually and the track could be used by many people with safe social distancing.

My children benefited from Rippy Phillip's service to the community and until today they never knew. For full disclose I was a parent of a LL Baseball player, and a youth through Varsity Softball player. I as a LL board member, and an SYSA board member who voted in favor of a donation to the HS Track project. As an individual I also donated

This letter recognizes that the High School Maintenance , HS Athletic Department, independent sports organizations, and Scarsdale Recreation Department have high regard for Rippy Phillips. Rippy works as an ally with these dedicated organizations and combined together they continuously exceed value expectations.

If anyone needs money for a celebration to acknowledgement for Rippy Phillips tell me where to send my check. Rippy if there is a funding need for your next effort to improve Scarsdale just reach out.

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Rippy Phillips