

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, NAMING THE POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE (PAL) FACILITY AS “DETECTIVE JERRY CHRISTIANSEN PAL CENTER.”

WHEREAS, Subsection 155.14(H) of the Code of Ordinances provides for City Commission approval of the naming and renaming of streets and City facilities and for the establishment of application fees and procedures by resolution of the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2024, the City Commission, by Resolution Number R-2024-397, implemented a new Naming Policy and Procedures (“Naming Policy”); and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2026, Vice Mayor Callari proposed naming the Police Athletic League (“PAL”) facility, located at 2311 N. 23 Avenue, as “Detective Jerry Christiansen PAL Center”; and

WHEREAS, the request received City Commission support for the naming; and

WHEREAS, Detective Jerry Christiansen played a pivotal role in shaping youth intervention programs in Hollywood. His efforts began with a personal investment, keeping basketballs, footballs, bats, and baseball gloves in the trunk of his police car, which evolved into a City-supported initiative; and

WHEREAS, through his advocacy, the City Commission initially provided Boggs Field (West) as a dedicated PAL facility, laying the foundation for a structured program that has positively influenced thousands of local youth; and

WHEREAS, Detective Christiansen’s vision and leadership expanded PAL’s offerings to include basketball, football, boxing, and academic programs; and

WHEREAS, his vision ultimately led to the construction of the current PAL facility, located at 2311 N. 23 Avenue, Hollywood, Florida 33020, which was formally dedicated in 2001; and

WHEREAS, this facility now serves 200 to 450 youth daily, particularly from the underserved Liberia neighborhood and surrounding neighborhoods, reinforcing the Police Department’s commitment to community-oriented policing and effectively engaging the youth in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Naming Policy provides that any proposed naming that is initiated by a City Commissioner shall be placed on a publicly noticed City Commission agenda for

consideration without having to first be evaluated by the Naming Review Committee; and

WHEREAS, City Commission members who propose the naming are encouraged to seek community input for proposed changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated in this Resolution.

Section 2: That the City Commission names the PAL facility, located at 2311 N. 23 Avenue, as the "Detective Jerry Christiansen PAL Center."

Section 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEAGAL SUFFICIENCY:

DAMARIS HENLON
CITY ATTORNEY