Hall of Honor - Professional Leadership Category

(nomination application – prepared and signed 10/7/08)

Name of Nominee: Gerald T. "Jerry" Hughes.

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<u>Professional Training, Education</u>: BA in Education, San Jose State University, Attendance at CPRS Administrators' and CPRS and NRPA training institutes for over 25 years. Taught Park and Recreation Management Courses at CSU, Chico (6 yrs). Attended American Softball Association Officials training programs. Participated in and helped conduct CPRS Conference Educational Programs for 33 years.

Specific Projects or Programs candidate was responsible for accomplishing: San Jose: numerous softball fields. Sunnyvale: 9 parks, hosted ASA World Series. Santa Cruz County: Developed first Parks Master Plan. CARD: Master Facilities Plan, 1968. Headed development - CARD Community Recreation Center and Community Park. Led development and served on Board of CAPRI (6yrs). Leader Citizens Advisory Committee 2008 CARD Master Plan.

<u>Leadership Positions Held</u>: President-Elect, President, Past-President CPRS; Recreation Supervisor City of San Jose; Recreation Superintendent City of Sunnyvale; Parks and Recreation Director, Santa Cruz, County, General Manager Chico Area Recreation and Park District; Board of Directors, California Association of Park and Recreation Insurance; Interim Director: Parks and Recreation, City of Salinas.

<u>Service to the Public</u>: Jerry's public services are too numerous to mention: through his professional positions; his work heading Rotary programs and projects; obtaining State and federal grants; donating his time to youth sports programs; work with volunteers in developing recreation facilities and on CA State Parks trails with Wm. Penn Mott, Jr.

Awards and Honors: Jerry has received numerous awards and honors for his service to the communities, organizations and programs for which he has tirelessly worked and served, including CPRS and the Paul Harris Fellowship from Rotary International. His highest professional recognition to date was his receiving of the CPRS Fellowship Award in 1984.

<u>Professional Publications</u>: While Jerry's professional, juried, publications are limited, the recreation training and program plans, and institute and workshop materials and facility plans he has developed or helped develop over his career would fill numerous file cabinets.

Other Noteworthy Information: The various park and recreation professionals I have contacted to get information for this nomination are revered in our profession. Each had only positive comments about Jerry and was enthusiastic re supporting him for this award.

The above information is true, it will be kept confidential until contacted by a HOH Rep. FAB Teacher, Referre AR Consultant & CAPREBIN BOD, 10/7/08

PROFESSIONAL RESUME

Gerald T. "Jerry" Hughes

- 1950 1953 U.S Coast Guard
- 1953 1954 San Jose City College... and played baseball: His No. 1 Sport
- 1954 1957 San Jose State College: BA in Education
- 1955 1957 Part-time Playground Leader, Day Camp Leader, Sports Official City of San Jose Recreation and Parks Department
- 1957 1959 Recreation Supervisor, City of San Jose Parks and Recreation Department. Supervisor of Adult Sports Programs and Supervisor of a Recreation District of 23 Schools, Parks and Recreation Facilities
- 1959 1968 Recreation Superintendent, City of Sunnyvale, CA
- 1968 1972 Parks and Recreation Director, Santa Cruz, County, CA
- 1972 1991* General Manager, Chico Area Recreation and Park District Retired in 1991
- 1981 1984 Elected and went through the CPRS Presidency chairs
- 1985 1991 Board of Directors of CA Association of Park & Recreation Insurance*
 *CAPRI Helping to form and guide this was major to P & R districts
- 1991 & 1993 Interim Director of Parks and Recreation, City of Salinas, CA*
 *Covered position while searching for new Director

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October 7, 2008

CPRS District 2 "Hall of Honor" Selection Committee Via Kelly Gonzalez, Committee Chairperson Consumnes Community Services District 8820 Elk Grove Blvd., Suite 3, Elk Grove, CA 95624

Re: Nomination of Gerald T. "Jerry" Hughes for the CPRS D-2 "2009 Hall of Honor Award"...Professional Category

Dear Members of the CPRS District 2 "Hall of Honor" Selection Committee,

It is my distinct privilege to nominate Mr. Jerry Hughes for the CPRS D-2 "Hall of Honor." For over five decades Jerry has served the field of public parks and recreation in ways that distinguish him among his peers in our great profession. I have talked to many park and recreation professionals and people who have known and worked with Jerry over the years...I hope I can do justice to Jerry and those who have encouraged this nomination.

Jerry was my first recreation supervisor when I worked as a recreation leader for the City of San Jose in 1958. He encouraged me to change my major to Recreation Administration at San Jose State College and to become active in CPRS where he was serving on various committees including on the program for an upcoming 1959 CPRS Conference to be held in San Jose. Jerry has truly been a "hero" to me. As anyone who knows Jerry may verify, it is an understatement to say Jerry has been a fully dedicated park and recreation professional, desiring the best in every position he has held both in the field and in CPRS.

Jerry has served in the highest leadership positions of CPRS and has been very successful in each professional position he has held. Having talked to a good number of current and former CPRS District 2 professionals, I have found that Jerry meets in an outstanding way all of the criteria for the D-2 "Hall of Honor" recognition. He truly exemplifies the outstanding leadership, principles, values, and high moral character of our profession.

Attached are the materials to support this nomination. Thank you for this opportunity and for your dedicated work to recognize those who have successfully dedicated a large part of their lives for the good of our profession and District...people who have truly made a difference. I know, personally, what a great honor it is to receive this recognition.

Sincerely,

Dr. Fred A. Brooks

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