



Proclamation

STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY CITY OF CLAY PROCLAMATION 2014-02

A Proclamation to Recognize the Historical Importance of Bryant Park

WHEREAS, the Chalkville Ball Park is one of the oldest amateur ball parks in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, long-time residents remember baseball games at Chalkville Ball Park as early as 1905, bringing people from Center Pont, Clay, Mt. Pinson, Roebuck, and Trussville; and,

WHEREAS, the park property was owned by a local resident until 1956, when the Chalkville Civic Club, which was established to secure utilities and redevelop the park, bought 5.1 acres; and,

WHEREAS, the civic club made improvements from 1956 until 1973, including small building for use as a meeting place for their members and Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, the Chalkville Civitan Club organized in 1973 and made major renovations that included a softball field, tennis court, playground and enlargement of the building and later united with the civic club; and,

WHEREAS, the park was renamed Chalkville Bryant Park in recognition of a local resident who donated money to buy 1.9 acres of road frontage, bringing the park property to 7 acres; and,

WHEREAS, the civic club donated the property to the City of Clay in 2007.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City Council of the City of Clay, Alabama that we recognize and affirm the historical importance of Chalkville Bryant Park.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this 2nd Day of June, 2014.

Ricky Baker
Councilor

Mark Halstead
Councilor

Becky Johnson
Councilor

Kevin Small
Councilor

Ben Thackerson
Councilor

Charles Webster
Mayor

Ronnie Dixon
City Manager



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I, the undersigned City Manager of the City of Clay, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a Proclamation lawfully passed and adopted by the City Council named therein, at a regular meeting of such council, and that such Proclamation is on file in the City Clerk's Office. Said Proclamation having been posted within the City of Clay at City Hall, Chalkville Regions Bank, Clay Post Office and the Senior Citizens Center.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City on this 3rd Day of June, 2014.

Ronnie Dixon
City Manager