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Adam Freudberg, Chair  
Framingham School Committee  
Framingham Public Schools  
Framingham MA 01702

Dear Chairman Freudberg,

First, I must apologize for not being able to attend this evening's School Committee meeting. Unfortunately a schedule conflict precludes me from being at the meeting in person. I did not, however, want to miss the opportunity to express my strong unequivocal support for the Parks and Recreation Commission's proposal to name the Lower Walsh Middle School Athletic Field after longtime Commissioner Barry Bograd.

As depicted in the Park and Recreation's proposal, Barry served our community with distinction in many, many ways. The overarching theme of all of his great service to Framingham was to improve the quality of life in our community, especially for our youth. Although Barry grew up in Newton, his hometown, his love, passion and longtime commitment to Framingham rivaled anyone who spent a lifetime in our city. Barry was one of my dearest friends so I had a front row seat of Barry's service and outstanding accomplishments. Framingham is a far better place to live because of Barry Bograd.

I respectfully ask that the School Committee approve the naming of the Lower Walsh Middle School Athletic Field after Barry Bograd. He is most deserving of this honor.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Dennis Giombetti, Chair  
Framingham City Council