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## Councilman Kersey Unveils 'Bob Wells Way' to Commemorate Legacy of the Late Civic Leader and Philanthropist

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San Diego – Today, Councilman Mark Kersey honored the late Bob Wells, a long-time civic leader and philanthropist, with an honorary street name at the 12200 block of Calle Saucillo in Rancho Bernardo.

Bob, who lived off Calle Saucillo, was often referred to as “Mr. RB” and had a hand in nearly every civic organization in the community, including being one of the founders of the Rancho Bernardo Business Association and Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation. A strong supporter of youth scholarships, art appreciation, and programs for seniors, Bob’s leadership led to the Foundation’s endowment growing to more than \$1 million.



*Joined by the Wells/Davie family, Councilman Mark Kersey unveiled 'Bob Wells Way' honorary street name at the 12200 block of Calle Saucillo.*

**“The variety of non-profit and business leaders who are here in support today is a testament to how involved Bob was in the community,” said Councilmember Kersey. “It’s my privilege to recognize him with an honorary street name, which reflects his lasting impact on the community and commemorates a leader who helped shape Rancho Bernardo into the tight-knit and generous community it is today.”**

Bob was inducted into the Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame in 1993 and named RB Honorary Mayor in 1997. He passed away in 2012 at the age of 84. He is survived by his son David Wells, daughter Sharyn Davie, son-in-law Bob Davie, and four grandchildren. Bob’s wife of more than 50 years, Darlene, passed away in 2018.

**“On behalf of our late father Bob Wells, we are humbled and blessed by this gesture of recognition and appreciation for the contribution our Dad was able to make to Rancho Bernardo,” said son, David Wells. “When he and our Mom moved here in 1985, neither of them anticipated that they would play such a visible and influential role in the evolution of RB. Were he alive today for this honor, in a rare moment I think our Dad would be speechless! On behalf of the Wells and Davie families we are pleased to accept this for Bob Wells.”**

**“The unveiling of Honorary Street, Bob Wells Way, is such a wonderful way to recognize Bob for his past achievements in Rancho Bernardo,” said Debbie Kurth, president of both the Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation and Rancho Bernardo Business Association. “Bob, often referred to as ‘Mr. RB’ would have been beaming with pride. I know his family certainly was. I was delighted to be part of this special day.”**

Honorary street titles are reserved for those individuals and organizations that have performed an exemplary act or achievement of lasting interest to their community, which reflects positively on the City of San Diego as a whole. Honorary street titles span one block and do not change or affect the official names of those public streets. Signs for honorary street names are clearly distinguishable from official street name signs by color, use of the word “honorary” in the legend, or by other design aspects.

Councilmember Mark Kersey represents the City of San Diego’s Fifth District which includes Black Mountain Ranch, Carmel Mountain Ranch, Miramar Ranch North, Rancho Bernardo, Rancho Encantada, Rancho Peñasquitos, Sabre Springs, San Pasqual, Scripps Miramar Ranch and Torrey Highlands.

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