

City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

July 21, 2022

The Honorable City Council 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Memorials & Dedications at a Meeting held on Wednesday, June 29, 2022, considered a REPORT, Committee on Memorials & Dedications, recommending to the City Council to take "NO FURTHER ACTION" on a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Bousquet and Winterson, requesting, that the Special Committee on Memorials and Dedications consider creating a pocket park or monument to honor and recognize the City's greatest track hero: the "Whaling City Wonder", French Canadian Leo E. Larrivee, who brought home New Bedford's First Olympic Medal - a Bronze for the third-place finish in the men's 3,000 Meter Team Race at the 1924 Olympic Games in Paris (Ref'd 05/08/18) and a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Bousquet and Winterson, requesting, that the Special Committee on Memorials and Dedications consider creating a pocket park or monument to honor and recognize the City's greatest track hero: the "Whaling City Wonder", French Canadian Leo E. Larrivee, who brought home New Bedford's First Olympic Medal - a Bronze for the third-place finish in the men's 3,000 Meter Team Race at the 1924 Olympic Games in Paris (Ref'd 05/08/18)

On motion by Councillor Abreu and seconded by Councillor Markey, the Committee VOTED: To send the City Council and the Park Board a positive recommendation for erecting a plaque or memorial honoring Leo E. Larrivee, with a request that it be placed at the walking path at Buttonwood Park. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS & DEDICATIONS

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Councillor Naomi R. A. Carney, Chairperson

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CITY COUNCIL

April 28, 2016

WRITTEN MOTION

Requesting, that the Special Committee on Memorials and "creating a pocket park or mortunent"

Dedications consider naming the new pocket park near St. Anthony of Padua Church, or create a monument or memorial to honor and recognize the City's greatest track hero: the "Whaling City Wonder", French-Canadian Leo E. Larrivee, who brought home New Bedford's first Olympic Medal – a Bronze for the third-place finish in the men's 3,000 Meter Team Race at the 1924 Summer Olympic Games in Paris.

Henry G. Bousquet, Councillor Ward Three Kerry M. Winterson, Councillor Ward Five