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Winnipeg City Councillor Ross Eadie
Mynarski Ward
510 Main Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 3M2

Subject: Honorary Street Renaming of Regent Avenue West between Day Street and Bond Street to "GREG PESTER WAY".

Greetings Councillor Eadie,

I am formally writing to you today, on behalf of myself with Tim and Kris Walsh. We would like to have a discussion with you about an honorary street renaming in honor of Mr. Greg Pester. As you know he recently passed away at the age of 70 leaving behind a huge legacy that extends over most of those years. Not just one of music, but one that included friends and family.

Greg was a lifelong musician and an icon in the Winnipeg music scene, playing with The Chaparrals, The Wayne Walker Band, The Walsh Twins, Sassy Jack just to name a few. Greg also had a passion for the community, where his vision seen that everyone felt welcome and musicians had a place to come together and play 7 days a week.

He outfitted The Royal George Hotel with a PA, lighting system, and stage equipment for all bands to come in and play with no set up or tear down which all bands appreciated so much.

When you walk thru the doors of The Historic Royal George Hotel, you'll find pictures of countless Winnipeg Musicians and memorabilia on all of the walls. Greg also brought people from all over Canada and the US to play The Royal George stage for all to enjoy.

The Pester Family was always front and center when it came to supporting charity and community events. Greg along with George and The Walsh Twins had an annual Cancer benefit starting back in 2013 that raised $50,000 for The Manitoba Cancer Foundation.

Greg mentored, and supported countless musicians that he became friends with, including myself. He kept a close eye on the musicians of Winnipeg and he just knew things. Never explained how he knew, but he did. I loved that about him. The Pester family and the staff of The Royal George Hotel cared more about making people feel happy and welcome.

As a dedicated family man, he absolutely adored his wife Teresa, and his 2 sons, Michael and Jared, and his 2 granddaughters.

This street naming will ensure that Greg's legacy will live on and show that all of Winnipeg appreciated and love him as much as he appreciated and loved Winnipeg.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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