

To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing to respectfully request that consideration be given to naming a street in honour of Greg Pester, beloved husband, father, friend, musician, and longtime supporter of Transcona and Manitoba's music community.

For nearly his entire life, Greg Pester was deeply involved in the Manitoba music scene and became a familiar and respected figure to many throughout Winnipeg and beyond. From a young age, Greg performed alongside his mother, playing in hotels, bars, community venues and festivals across Manitoba. Music was at the heart of who Greg was, and throughout his life he shared that passion with countless people.

Greg was widely known not only for his musical talent, but also for his warm personality, positive outlook, and ability to make genuine connections with everyone he met. Over the years, he performed and helped organize entertainment at many well-known venues and events across the province. These gatherings brought together musicians and community members from all walks of life and became an important part of Manitoba's live music culture.

Later in life, Greg became the owner of the Royal George Hotel in Transcona. Under his leadership for 26 years, The Royal George became much more than a neighbourhood hotel, it became a gathering place and second home for musicians across Manitoba and the Transcona community. Greg created a welcoming space where local artists could perform, support one another, and keep live music alive within the community. Many musicians knew they could always find encouragement, friendship, and opportunity through Greg and the music community he built at the Royal George.

Beyond his contributions to music, Greg was known for his generosity, kindness, humour, and willingness to help others. He had a unique way of bringing people together and making everyone feel welcome. He also hosted many fundraisers for special causes, generously contributing his own money and raising significant funds for charities. His impact on the community continues to be felt through the many friendships, memories, and musical connections he helped create over the years.

Naming a street after Greg Pester would be a meaningful way to honour not only his memory, but also his lifelong contributions to Manitoba's music culture and community spirit. His legacy lives on through the countless people whose lives he touched both personally and professionally. The Royal George Hotel, still owned by his family, will continue to be a place where his spirit thrives, welcoming future generations of musicians and community members to gather.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. Our family and the community would be sincerely grateful and deeply honoured for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Teresa Pester  
Michael Pester  
Jared Pester