

**From:** John Brodnicki  
**To:** [Kolar, Loren](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Letter of support - Brightside Park  
**Date:** May 27, 2021 10:00:26 AM

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*Good Morning Loren....Thank You for your speedy reply....much appreciated.....all the Best...John*

On Thu, May 27, 2021 at 9:18 AM Kolar, Loren <[Loren.Kolar@hamilton.ca](mailto:Loren.Kolar@hamilton.ca)> wrote:

Hi John, thank you for your correspondence. The deadline for the Facility Naming Sub-Committee meeting to accept items has passed, but this will be included on June 16th General Issues Committee. Thank you again for your participation.

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**From:** John Brodnicki [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Letter of support - Brightside Park

*Hello to all....my name is John Brodnicki and i am sending along my letter of support with the hope that it will be submitted and viewed...i would have enjoyed the opportunity to speak alongside my life long friend and*

*Brightside neighbor John Michaluk ...but in the interest of time and concern for others it is best he do his speech alone ...and you will come to learn that he really speaks for all Brightsiders...this is a man who Lives and Breathes Brightside like no other....*

*I was born in Brightside, Ontario.....Friday, December the Thirteenth, 1940....my 3 dear siblings ....Billy, Josie and Teddy also Born in Brightside...before me...we were the much loved children of Bernice (Poland ) and William (Buffalo)...56 Lancaster St. is where we all remained together until the Wedding Bells came calling and we left our cherished home and friends....but not for long....there is an old saying in Brightside and it goes like this " You can take the Boy out of Brightside but you cannot take the Brightside out of the Boy" ....that saying lives on to this day....i cannot express in words how thankful and pleased i am that you people before us today in deciding to name this Park "Brightside Park" will keep the Eternal Flame of Brightside Burning Brightly for generations to come....my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all of you involved in keeping the "Bright " in Brightside....*

*i am submitting just a brief note on only a fraction of my*

*25 years in Brightside and the topic i have chosen touches on Commerce in Brightside...i could go on for days on endless topics ...tales and stories...but i will let my Dear Friend John Michaluk take care of that as he will so elequently do..God Bless....sincerely John Brodnicki...*

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**Subject: Brightside Park – Correspondence for Facility Naming Committee/GIC**

Good Day! John Brodnicki here - I was born and raised in Brightside.

To the best of my knowledge - and I stand to be corrected ... Brightside had four Major League Baseball fields ... (1) Proctor and Gamble Field ... (2) Stelco Field consisting of 3 diamonds ... (3) Manchester and Sheffield Field and last but not least (4) Lancaster Field - 1 diamond at the corner of Lancaster and Birmingham ... if I can take a moment to add to Joe Bartolacci's list of Commerce Leaders in Brightside and then I will sign off ... as I can go on forever ... my first wages on Brightside in the summer of 57' as Stacy Wismer so aptly recalls, was a hefty 60 cents per hour working for Mike Ladun, proprietor of Main Heating ... I worked alongside Armando D'Ambrosio installing oil furnaces on the South East mountain area ... furthermore I was now receiving double income because it was at this time Brightside Press was founded in the basement of 56 Lancaster Street and I was able to secure the printing account of Main Heating ... now then, when

the press would break down as it did on a regular basis, I would regularly frequent Carloni's Machine Shop corner of Burlington and Birmingham Street ... Pedio was in charge there and he was a one man show (as I was)... the repairs were while you wait and his fee was much more than fair and he always gave me a smile and wished me well ... now my career is flourishing so I venture on down to Gage Ave. North and after purchasing some Zig-Zag Bread from Mario Cornale at Your Bakery, I was able to secure the account of printing bread bags for Your Bakery ... .now if that was not enough I went on down to Plymouth Street and introduced myself to Joe Mendiuk ... .the head man at Hamilton Car Rebuilders ... I had a '46 Desoto that needed to be painted robin's egg blue ... the fee was \$200 - no problem ... but in doing so I was able to secure the printing account of Hamilton Car Rebuilders for many years ... lastly I went back up to Burlington Street ... this is where Para Aluminum Siding was founded ... I had a great conversation with Raymo Paradisi and became friends for life ... .and in doing so I was once again able to secure the printing account ... so I guess what I am trying to say is the Brightside Commerce folks looked after their own ... so I had many, many good years being part of that segment of Brightside ... there were so many other Brightside Commerce people ... just to name a few more - Caravaggio's Garage ... ..the World Famous Brightside Garage ... Americo Yachetti, Proprietor ... .Bay Block, Gerry Andreatta and Ace Uguccioni props. Brightside Hotel ... Rocco Tamberelli's Car Wash ... Usar's Fish and Chips ... .Good Lord I can go on forever ... keep on lookin' on "The Brightside" ... Many Thanks ... ..Snitz ...