

Introduced by: Councilmember Clay

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

**RESOLUTION #2010-8
RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF H. JAMES O'BRIEN**

WHEREAS, Takoma Park is known for its thoughtful, engaged, environmentally forward thinking, and often opinionated residents who appreciate the history of the community while working to make it a better place for the future; and,

WHEREAS, H. James O'Brien, more commonly known as "Jim," is a "Takoma Parkian" to the bone, having lived in the community and called it home for over 25 years; and,

WHEREAS, Jim, an architect and principal of the architectural and construction design build firm of Edge Construction, has shared his time and talents with the community, providing technical and design support for a variety of community projects, never hesitating to share his opinion, quick wit, and expertise with others; and,

WHEREAS, Jim has been one of the strongest supporters of the City's efforts to redevelop the New Ave and a tireless proponent of intelligent and sustainable development along the New Hampshire Avenue corridor, the Washington Adventist Hospital site, and the community in general; and,

WHEREAS, Jim has demonstrated his tireless devotion to the cause of beautification and maintenance of the historic integrity of Takoma Park through his sage advice and intrepid leadership of the Façade Advisory Board; and,

WHEREAS, that august body expresses its profound gratitude to him for his contributions and would like him to know that his attendance record is a model to which all aspire; and,

WHEREAS, the City appreciates the contributions that Jim has made to the community as a resident, business owner, and member of both the Façade Advisory Board and the Washington Adventist Hospital Land Use Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND hereby recognizes the contributions of Mr. H. James O'Brien in preserving the historic character of Takoma Park and in furthering the City's efforts to create a more sustainable, livable community for the future.

Adopted this 19th day of January, 2010.

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk