## Business of the Village Board Village of Saranac Lake

SUBJECT: Ken Garwood Par	k	DATE: <u>6-13-2022</u>	
DEPT OF ORIGIN: <u>Trustee Brunette</u> DATE SUBMITTED: <u>6-6-2022</u>		BILL # 86-2022	
		EXHIBITS:	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
Village Attorney		Village Administration	
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Resolution for the naming of the MOVED BY: <u>BUNCTE</u> VOTE ON ROLL CALL: MAYOR WILLIAMS TRUSTEE BRUNETTE TRUSTEE CATILLAZ TRUSTEE SCOLLIN TRUSTEE SHAPIRO			

## A Resolution for the Naming of the Ken Garwood POW Park

WHEREAS, Kenneth P. Garwood has demonstrated a continued commitment and made an extraordinary contribution to civic betterment locally and for the United States of America.

WHEREAS, Kenneth P. Garwood was born in Saranac Lake on Nov. 29, 1921, he was the son of Arthur and Hazel Garwood. He married Gwen on Sept. 20, 1946.

Kenneth P. Garwood graduated from Saranac Lake High School in 1939 and worked at Wilson's Clothing before joining the Army Air Corps in Oct. 1942. He was attached to the 8th Air Force in England, serving as radio operator and gunner on a B-17 bomber. Ken achieved the rank of Technical Sergeant and received the Air Medal for bravery. He was shot down twice: first on his maiden combat mission over the English Channel, and again on June 20, 1944, over Germany. Ken landed safely, but was captured and spent over 16 months as a prisoner of war.

After World War II, Ken returned to Saranac Lake, working at Scheefer's Jewelry for almost 60 years and serving on the Village Board of Trustees for almost two decades. As a trustee, Ken played an integral role in securing the T-Bar lift at Mt. Pisgah Ski Area and was one of the first people to ride it to the top. And was the driving force to form what is currently known as Ampersand park. In addition, he was active in the Saranac Lake Chamber of Commerce, the Elks and Rotary Clubs, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the American Legion, and served as a coach and officer in local youth baseball leagues.

RESOLVED, the village park located at the corner of Broadway and Ampersand Avenue will be, henceforth, named and titled the "Ken Garwood POW Park".