

Board of Library Commissioners to Consider Dedicating Palms – Rancho Park Branch in Honor of Author Ray Bradbury

Board seeks public comment on the proposal from August 9 through November 9, 2012

LOS ANGELES (August 9, 2012) – The Board of Library Commissioners is seeking public comment August 9 through November 9, 2012, on a proposal to dedicate the Palms - Rancho Park Branch in honor of author Ray Bradbury. City Councilmember Paul Koretz, in whose fifth district the branch is located, made the request to the Board, which is the governing body of the Los Angeles Public Library.

Bradbury, who died last June, was the world-renowned author of popular classics including "Fahrenheit 451," "The Martian Chronicles" and "Something Wicked This Way Comes." Bradbury was a resident of the community served by the branch, a strong and vocal supporter of libraries including the Los Angeles Public Library and supported the Palms - Rancho Park Branch, where he gave readings and often met with fans and admirers.

Public comments on the issue may be submitted to:

Board of Library Commissioners Los Angeles Public Library 630 W. Fifth St. Los Angeles CA 90071

Comments may also be emailed to: rborden@lapl.org.

Following the public comment period, library staff will evaluate the community input and recommendations in a report to the Board for its consideration and action.

According to Board policy (1:312), the Board may dedicate a branch library in memory of a qualified individual and direct a dedication plaque be placed in the library;

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the library's existing name would remain unchanged. The board policy outlining the requirements and process for dedications is available at: www.lapl.org/about.

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