



COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

MARCUS J. MOLINARO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

EXECUTIVE ORDER #4 OF 2015

I hereby issue the following Executive Order dedicating the Nelson House Park, located at 28 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, to former New York State Senator Jay P. Rolison, Jr. in honor of his public service through which he improved and enhanced the quality of life for all those who live and work in the County of Dutchess.

WHEREAS, the County Charter provides the County Executive the authority to supervise, direct and control the administration of all departments as well as supervise and direct all internal structure and organization of every unit of the Executive Branch of the County Government (Section 3.02 b & d); and

WHEREAS, the County Executive thus has the authority to dedicate County facilities and assets consecrating them in recognition of an individual's record of accomplishments, commitment to service, and/or indelible mark on our communities; and

WHEREAS, in consultation with the County Historian, it has been determined that Jay P. Rolison, Jr. should be recognized for his public and private accomplishments which provided tremendous benefit to the people of Dutchess County; and

WHEREAS, Jay P. Rolison, Jr. was born in New Jersey in 1929, graduated from Seton Hall Preparatory School in 1947, received his Bachelor of the Arts degree from Providence College in 1951, his law degree from Fordham University in 1954, and served in the United States Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, before he and his wife Barbara moved to Poughkeepsie, where they put down roots, raised a family together and entered into a life of politics and community service; and

WHEREAS, Jay P. Rolison, Jr. was elected to the New York State Senate in 1966 and would serve in this capacity until 1990 during which time he fought for his constituents; drafted legislation that assisted farmers, bankers, firefighters, rail commuters and the disabled, among others; and rose to the rank of Chairman of the Banking Committee and Assistant Majority Leader; and

WHEREAS, Jay P. Rolison, Jr. also served on the Board of Trustees of Marist College and Vassar Brothers Medical Center, was a lifetime member of Croft Corners Fire Company, all while maintaining a legal practice in Poughkeepsie later joining McCabe and Mack LLP as counsel where he worked until he passed away in 2007; and so now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, that the Dutchess County Nelson House Park be dedicated to Jay P. Rolison, Jr. in perpetuity at an effective date to be determined by the County Executive at which time a plaque of gratitude will be placed at the facility bearing witness to the public service and accomplishments of Jay P. Rolison, Jr.; and further it is

ORDERED, that, on behalf of a grateful county, the family of Jay P. Rolison, Jr. be presented a copy of this Executive Order.

Made this day the 24 of August, 2015 at the Dutchess County Office Building, Office of the County Executive, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York.

Marcus J. Molinaro
Dutchess County Executive