

Goldbranch, Vickery Creek and Allen Shoals units of the Chattahoochee National Park. This park will be operated in cooperation with Fulton County and the Chattahoochee Nature Center, and the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area. The State of Georgia, The Trust for Public Lands and the City of Roswell are already committed to raising a portion of the property purchase price. We hope that the Federal Government will also contribute toward acquisition funds for the parkland.

Once established, this new park would become one of the most heavily used parks within the Atlanta Metropolitan area. It would serve as an excellent example of Federal, State, County and Municipal cooperation in park development. We hope that the Federal Greenways Project will be adopted, so that the Federal Government may participate in this park. Your support of this project will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

JERE WOOD,
Mayor.

CITY OF DULUTH,
Duluth, GA, May 26, 1998.

Re Chattahoochee River National Park Boundary Change.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
Rayburn House Office Building,
Washington, DC.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN GINGRICH: The City of Duluth has previously expressed its support for land acquisition funding for the National Park Service to purchase lands along the Chattahoochee River. The City is very interested in protecting the river corridor and making additional open space and greenways available for public use. The City has worked to obtain conservation easements for walking trails and greenways along the river corridor to help link existing National Park Property.

It has become evident that many critical parcels along the river corridor are not included in the boundaries previously designated for the National Park Service on future land acquisition. There is an urgent need for legislation to modify the National Park Boundaries by deleting some parcels which have already been developed and include those critical parcels still available for the protection of the river and efficient use of existing National Park property.

The City strongly supports legislation that would adjust the designated National Park Boundaries identified for future land acquisition to include those critical parcels necessary to link existing National Park Properties as well as protect the river from further intense development. The City applauds your efforts in supporting funding for National Park Service land acquisition along this vital river water resource and asks that you also support some adjustments in the designated boundaries of the National Park so that key vacant parcels can be included.

Thank you for your efforts and involvement with our national resources. If we can assist in any way please let us know.

Sincerely,

SHIRLEY FANNING-LASSETER,
Mayor.

CITY OF DULUTH,
Duluth, GA, April 8, 1998.

Re Chattahoochee River Greenway.

Hon. RALPH REGULA,
Chairman, House Interior Committee,
Washington, DC.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN REGULA: The City of Duluth would like to thank you for your efforts in securing funding for the National Park Service for lands along the Chattahoochee River.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich has informed us of the tremendous work you have been doing to see that the National Park Service obtains funds to protect the Chattahoochee River from excessive development through Park Service land acquisition. In our November correspondence to you the City had mentioned that a greenway plan to link two existing National Park properties together was underway. Please find enclosed a copy of this proposed walkway. We currently have approximately 50% of this provided through easements.

We hope that the next trip you make by helicopter over this area that you will see some results which come from local government and federal government working together on a project. If we can ever be of service please don't hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely,

SHIRLEY FANNING-LASSETER,
Mayor.

CITY OF ATLANTA,
Atlanta, GA, June 24, 1998.

Hon. JOHN LEWIS,
House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN LEWIS: I am writing to encourage your support for a \$25 million appropriation (\$15 million FY '99 and \$10 million in the supplemental budget for FY '99) from the Land and Water Conservation Fund which is now before the House Appropriations Committee. These funds will allow for the protection of land along the banks of the Chattahoochee in an attempt to sustain the drinking water supply for the City of Atlanta and its neighbors. The initiative to protect land along the Chattahoochee River is a bipartisan effort which was developed out of Governor Miller's RiverCare 2000 program. The City of Atlanta has partnered with the Trust for Public Land to negotiate donations and acquisitions along the Chattahoochee River in an effort to protect a natural greenway within City limits. By working in cooperation with our neighbors upstream, we hope to sustain this river for future generations.

Over half of all Georgians drink from the Chattahoochee River every day and this funding would help insure the quality of our drinking water for generations to come. I encourage you to actively support this \$25 million appropriation once it comes up for a vote by the House Appropriations Committee.

Thank you for your continued care for the environment and the work you do for the people of Atlanta.

Sincerely,

BILL CAMPBELL.

HONORING ROY A. HAUBERT

HON. RON PACKARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 1998

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge a very special and exceptional man, Mr. Roy A. Haubert.

In this day and age when family values are on the decline, it is comforting to know that there are people like Roy Haubert, who are passing a legacy of service, loyalty, and love on to their family. Mr. Haubert is a proud father of four children, all of whom he helped put through college.

As a fellow Navy veteran, I hold Roy Haubert in the highest regard. He serves as a

shining example through his commitment to his beliefs and his country. At the young age of 17 he left his home to protect freedom and to serve his fellow Americans. He served our country in World War II on a Destroyer off the East Coast of the United States and in the South Pacific. He received two purple hearts for his service, and after WW II, Mr. Haubert enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. Through his additional time in the service, Roy Haubert received training at the Massachusetts Institute for Technology in electronics and missile technology.

Mr. Haubert utilized his training and worked in the aerospace industry in California after leaving the service, where his interest in technology grew. He then worked on projects such as the Atlas missile program and the F-111 fighter bomber.

Roy Haubert has devoted his life to service, loyalty and family values. His sacrifice and accomplishments are admirable and worthy of recognition.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to say thank you to Roy Haubert and acknowledge his contribution to his family, his community and to our nation. May his example continue to shine on in the hearts and minds of those privileged enough to have known him.

TRIBUTE TO THE EIGHTH GREAT
DOMINICAN PARADE AND CAR-
NIVAL OF THE BRONX

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 16, 1998

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, once again it is an honor for me to recognize the Great Dominican Parade and Festival of the Bronx on its eighth year of celebrating Dominican culture in my South Bronx Congressional District.

Under its Founder and President, Felipe Febles, the parade has grown in size and splendor. It now brings together an increasing number of participants from all five New York City boroughs and beyond.

On Sunday, July 19, thousands of members and friends of the Dominican community will march from Mt. Eden and 172nd Street to East 161st Street and the Grand Concourse in honor of Juan Pablo Duarte, the father of the independence of the Dominican Republic.

As one who has participated in the parade in the past, I can attest that the excitement it generates brings the entire City together. It is a celebration and an affirmation of life. It feels wonderful to enable so many people to have this experience—one that will change the lives of many of them. It is an honor for me to join once again the hundreds of joyful people who will march from Mt. Eden and 172nd Street to East 161st Street, and to savor the variety of their celebrations. There's no better way to see our Bronx community.

The event will feature a wide variety of entertainment for all age groups. This year's festival includes the performance of Merengue and Salsa bands, crafts exhibitions, and food typical of the Dominican Republic.

In addition to the parade, President Febles and many organizers have provided the community with nearly two weeks of activities to commemorate the contributions of the Dominican community, its culture and history.