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FORMER DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS MOTOR POOL SITE IS NAMED IN HONOR OF SHOUT ORGANIZATION

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – (South Haven, Michigan) In July 2009, South Haven City Council approved an ordinance to add a linear section of property into the public park system. The property is located adjacent to the Black River at 625 Dunkley - the site of the former Public Works motor pool site - and is part of the overall Dunkley Redevelopment Plan. Improvements at the site have included the construction of a fishing platform, a rock-based seawall, the construction of a parking lot and sidewalks, extension of the Kal-haven Trail, and the installation of clean fill and landscape materials. In addition, *SHOUT for South Haven*, a local charitable group, has donated \$35,000 to assist with a bridge over the Celery Pond Creek to connect the linear park to the Black River Park.

In an effort to recognize *SHOUT for South Haven* for its donation and to acknowledge the charitable group's past efforts at providing funding assistance at city parks and public spaces, the City Council has officially approved the honorary naming of the site to "SHOUT Park". In the past, *SHOUT for South Haven* has provided funding for numerous improvements on public property including annual placement of flowers on the Dyckman Bascule Bridge; installation of clocks at Ellen Avery Park and Dyckman Park; creation of a rain garden in the parking lot at Huron/Kalamazoo Streets; and two sculptures on City Hall lawn.

With the approval of the honorary title, the public space is identified as open to the public and all are welcome to visit the site. The park improvement plan is included with this document.

For more information, contact City Manager Brian Dissette, bdissette@south-haven.com; or 269-637-0750.

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