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Dear Resident:

At its meeting on August 21, 2019, the Board of Commissioners of the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board adopted Resolution 2019-209, an action approving an amendment to Chapter 9, Article X of the MPRB Code of Ordinances renaming parkways and park roads to conform to Bde Maka Ska. This change affects addresses on Bde Maka Ska Boulevard West (formerly Calhoun Boulevard West), Bde Maka Ska Drive (formerly Calhoun Drive), East Bde Maka Ska Parkway (formerly East Calhoun Parkway) and West Bde Maka Ska Parkway (formerly West Calhoun Parkway).

The change in parkways and park roads is immediate. MPRB staff have updated parkway way finding signs and the City of Minneapolis is taking steps to replace street signs this Fall. To assist property owners, MPRB staff have coordinated directly with the following entities to facilitate address changes for residents and properties affected by the ordinance amendment:

City of Minneapolis
Hennepin County
CenterPoint Energy
Xcel Energy
United States Post Office

Staff has also prepared a guide to other common services that would likely require a change of address. That guide, which is included with this mailing, is not comprehensive, but suggests a range of entities that should be notified to ensure addressing is correct.

As with the restoration of Bde Maka Ska as the lake's name, the Board of Commissioners felt a responsibility to establish naming of those facilities under its direct jurisdiction in ways that are more respectful of the values and traditions of our community. We are proud to have the opportunity for these parkways and park roads to carry the Dakota name Bde Maka Ska.

Sincerely,

Al Bangoura, Superintendent