CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

ITEM

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

00-183

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA: Acceptance of \$100,000 Gift from American Republic

Insurance Company for the construction of a wading pool in the Martin Luther King Jr. Park Wading Pool in honor of

Watson Powell.

SUBJECT:

APRIL 24, 2000

FISCAL IMPACT -

ACCEPTANCE OF \$100,000 GIFT FROM AMERICAN

AMERICAN REPUBLIC INSURANCE COMPANY -

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARK WADING POOL. \$100,000 private contribution to match with current Capital Improvements Program (CIP) dollars to reach an estimated total of \$125,000 - \$200,000.

RECOMMENDATION -

Approval.

TYPE:

BACKGROUND -

RESOLUTION ORDINANCE

RECEIVE/FILE

A master plan for Martin Luther King Jr. Park, located at East 17th and Garfield proposes a wading pool to serve the neighborhood children. American Republic Insurance Company chose this wading pool as a fitting way to honor Watson Powell, Jr., former Chairman Emeritus for American Republic Insurance Company.

SUBMITTED BY: Republi

DONALD M. TRIPP,

PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR American Republic Insurance Company would like to give \$100,000 to the City to construct a wading pool in Martin Luther King Jr. Park. Current CIP dollars will match the donation in order to construct the wading pool. Until the time

of construction, the Greater Des Moines Community

Foundation will hold the donated funds and will advance the

donated funds upon request to the City.

In accepting this gift the wading pool will be named in honor

of Watson Powell Jr.

