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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **VICTOR KLINKER RECEIVES MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE AWARD**

**LAFAYETTE, IN** – June 11, 2018 – Lafayette Parks and Recreation is pleased to announce that Victor L. Klinker has received the Marquis de Lafayette Award for his 40+ years of service to the Lafayette Parks Board. He received the award from Lafayette Mayor Tony Roswarski at the City of Lafayette Park and Recreation Board Meeting today, June 11, 2018.

The Marquis de Lafayette Award is named for Marquis de Lafayette, a French aristocrat and military officer who fought in the American Revolutionary War. He was a hero who helped win the war. The City of Lafayette, Indiana is named after him.

The Marquis de Lafayette Award is the highest award that the Mayor can bestow upon a citizen. The award is given to an individual who goes above and beyond with volunteerism, citizenship, and overall dedication and commitment to the community. The award is not given annually; it is given at the mayor's discretion.

Mayor Tony Roswarski stated, "Vic Klinker embodies Lafayette. His work on the Lafayette Parks Board for the last 40 years has helped transform the Parks Department to meet the needs of a growing, prosperous community. Vic has a unique ability to appreciate and respect the past and the traditions of the park, while being progressive in looking toward the future."

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