"It Is More Blessed To Give
Than To Receive"

To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council,
City of Benton Harbor, Mich.:

Gentlemen: On behalf of my wife, Carrie E. Klock, and myself, I take
great pleasure in presenting to the city through you a deed to the tract of land
formerly owned by R. K. Warren on the lake front, consisting of about ninety
acres. This is the property which the progressive citizens of Benton Harbor
have three times failed to secure for a park through bonding issues.

There are no strings attached to this gift and no conditions. It is the
property of the city if you accept it. The gift is made in the memory of our
deceased daughter, Jean Klock, in the hope that we may be able to minister
to the pleasure of the children of this and coming generations, a pleasure we
were denied doing for her.

It is our wish that the lake frontage may always be preserved in its nat-
ural state and be a playground for the children and a bathing beach for all the
people. Very truly yours,

J. N. KLOCK.

RESOLUTIONS ACCEPTING GIFT.

Whereas, on this date, May 7th, 1917, J. N. Klock and Carrie E. Klock, his
wife, have tendered to the common council of the city of Benton Harbor, Mich-
igan, a certain deed wherein and whereby said parties transfer and convey to
the city of Benton Harbor that certain parcel of land in the township of Ben-
ton, county of Berrien and state of Michigan, described as follows, to wit:

Legal description of the land follows, ending.

"The above description includes all of block 39 in Higman's Michigan Park
and all the plat of Long Beach, except lot 115 and land west of said lot and be-
tween same and Lake Michigan," and

Whereas, said deed contains a covenant and condition that said lands shall
forever be used by said city of Benton Harbor for bathing beach, park pur-
poses, and other public purposes, and at all times shall be open for the use
and benefit of the public subject only to such rules and regulations as the said
city of Benton Harbor may make and adopt; now therefore.

Resolved, that the common council of the city of Benton Harbor in regu-
lar session assembled, for and on behalf of the city of Benton Harbor does her-
by accept said deed and does hereby accept the conveyance of the lands and
premises described in said deed subject to the conditions set forth in said
deed, and

Resolved, that said lands, above described, upon the delivery of said deed
to this city of Benton Harbor shall be forever dedicated for bathing beach,
park purposes and other public purposes, and at all times shall be open for the
use and benefit of the public subject only to such rules and regulations as the
said city of Benton Harbor may make and adopt;

Resolved further, that in behalf of the people, and especially the children
of Benton Harbor and vicinity, that this council extend to Mr. and Mrs. Klock
their appreciation of this valuable gift, together with the assurance that this
council will cooperate to make this park the blessing to humanity which the
givers intend it should be.

Resolved also, that since Mr. and Mrs. Klock have given this largely for
the benefit of childhood and as a memorial to their deceased infant child, Jean
Klock, that this land be named and shall be forever known as "Jean Klock
Park."