

Press Advisory
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**City of Paterson invites you to the
Reopening and Rededication of**
MARY ELLEN KRAMER PARK

Friday, August 28th, 2015
at the Paterson Great Falls National Park
72 McBride Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey

Ceremony will begin at 11:00 AM

**FREE parking is available along Maple Street and
at the Great Falls Welcome Center**

The rededication and reopening of Mary Ellen Kramer Park is very special for the City of Paterson. Mrs. Kramer was a strong advocate of the preservation and restoration of many of our historic sites, including the fight against building a highway over the Great Falls. The City of Paterson recognizes her dedication to historic preservation and it is *our pleasure to invite you to celebrate in her honor and remembrance.*

Mary Ellen Kramer Park is named in commemoration of Paterson's first lady Mary Ellen Kramer, who was instrumental in the designation and development of the Great Falls National Historic Landmark District and for reopening the park itself to the public in the 1970s.

The Park is adjacent to the Great Falls on Maple Street, just below Hinchliffe Stadium, and offers visitors the opportunity to get close up to the face of the Great Falls.

Although the land was used as a public park and for leisure visits to the waterfall since the 1770's, it was closed during World War II for strategic reasons and remained closed until the 1970's. Volunteers, non-profit organizations and public funding through the City of Paterson at that time brought the park to its current layout.

The recent rehabilitation project completed by the City of Paterson has restored the park and its amenities with the assistance of its partners and funders, including the NJ Department of Environmental Protection's Green Acres program, and Passaic County's Open Space & Farmland Preservation Trust Fund and the Passaic River Coalition.

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off Maple Street adjacent to Hinchliffe Stadium and the Great Falls



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