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## Town celebrates official opening of Julia Munro Park

**Georgina, ON** – The Town of Georgina celebrated the official opening of the new Julia Munro Park today. It is named in honour of the late Julia Munro, a former member of provincial parliament for York-Simcoe.

“As a growing community, creating spaces and places where families can spend time together, and where they can create memories, is vital to the health of our community,” said Mayor Margaret Quirk. “By focusing on accessibility and active living, we are providing recreational opportunities that support community growth, and where residents and visitors can take advantage of all Georgina has to offer. Julia worked hard to create a high quality of life for all residents. I think she would be proud of this new park and the wonderful amenities it brings to families in the area.”

The new park includes –

- Playground equipment
- Splash pad
- Multi-use hard-surface court for summer sports such as basketball and winter activities such as skating
- Walking trails
- Adult outdoor fitness equipment
- Open spaces

The park is located on Timberbank Square within the Lakeside Meadows subdivision in Sutton. The site is approximately five hectares, and is bounded by Timberbank Square and residential properties to the south, a storm water facility to the west and regionally significant woodlands to the north and east. An accessible, gravel pedestrian trail has been installed to the east which connects the site via woodland and wetland to the local community (Hodgson Trail).

Council approved renaming the Sutton Community Park to Julia Munro Park in February 2020. Julia Munro passed away in June 2019. She was the longest-serving female member of provincial parliament in Ontario history. She served from 1995 to 2018, including as the MPP for York-Simcoe from 2007 to 2018.

To learn more, visit [georgina.ca/JuliaMunroPark](https://www.georgina.ca/JuliaMunroPark).

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