

CITY PLANS DEDICATION OF TORCH TO KENNEDY

Miami plans to dedicate its famed Torch of Friendship in honor of the late President Kennedy and light it from the eterned flame at his grave in Arlington National Cemetery.

Mayor Robert King High said Angier Biddle Duke, State Department chief of protocol, has been asked to approve the plan. "We'll be guided in a large measure by what he says,"

High added.

The mayor said in response to "hundreds of requests," it was decided that dedicating the torch in Bayfront Park would be a fitting tribute to the late President.

The torch, with its eternal flame, has been a symbol of friendship and understanding between the United States and Latin American nations.

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The plan first was suggested to the city by Jack Sullivan, of the Dade County Democratic Executive Committee, and details still must be ironed out.

For example, method of transferring the flame from Arlington to Miami has not been determined. "But I'm sure something can be worked out," High said.

If approved, the rededication ceremony at the Torch of Friendship tentatively is scheduled for Jan. 20, third anniversary of President Kennedy's inauguration. The torch here would be extinguished 72 hours earlier.