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KENNEDY MARKET (320) (WITH WIREPHOTOS DN1-DN2)

DALLAS, TEX., NOV. 16 (AP)-TWO LARGE BRONZE PLAQUES WERE HOISTED INTO PLACE ON A SLAB OF GRANITE TODAY, TELLING IN WORDS AND A RELIEF MAP OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY.

THE ERECTION OF THE HISTORICAL MARKER CAME SIX DAYS BEFORE THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF KENNEDY'S DEATH ON A SLOPING STREET A BLOCK AWAY.

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DALLAS, TEX., KENNEDY MARKER, A102DN, INSERT FOLLOWING AFTER SECOND GRAF: THE ERECTION X X X A BLOCK AWAY.

THE MARKER IS IN DEALEY PLAZA, NAMED AFTER A FORMER PUBLISHER OF THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS, AND FACES HOUSTON STREET, DOWN WHICH THE PRESIDENT RODE SECONDS BEFORE HE WAS SHOT.

THE CITY, WHICH, ETC., 3RD GRAF A102DN

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THE CITY, WHICH PAID \$8,400 FOR THE MARKER AND WEATHERED SEVERAL CONTROVERSIES OVER PROPOSED WORDING OF IT, SAYS IT PLANS NO CEREMONY EITHER TO CELEBRATE THE MARKER'S COMPLETION OR TO RECOGNIZE THE UPCOMING ANNIVERSARY.

MAYOR ERIK JONSSON SAID PERSONS CLOSE TO THE KENNEDY FAMILY HAD INDICATED THEY PREFERRED NO CEREMONY.

AN AREA CITIZEN WHO CAMPAIGNED TO PERSUADE THE CITY TO PUT UP THE MARKER, MRS. HARRY LANGLEY OF RICHARDSON, SAID SHE PLANS A CEREMONY TUESDAY TUESDAY AT THE MARKER EVEN IF THE CITY DOESN'T.

THE 11 A.M. SERVICE WILL INCLUDE THE LAYING OF A WREATH AT THE FOOT OF THE MARKER BY ONE OF MRS. LANGLEY'S CHILDREN. MRS. LANGLEY SAID SHE

MAY NOT BE PRESENT BECAUSE OF ILLNESS.

THE COUNCIL OF DEMOCRATIC CLUBS ALSO WILL PARTICIPATE, SAID MRS. JIM TYSON, PRESIDENT.

AS THE BRONZE PLAQUES WERE MOUNTED WEDNESDAY, ABOUT A DOZEN SPECTATORS WATCHED.

ONE PLAQUE SHOWS A RELIEF MAP OF THE ROUTE KENNEDY'S PARADE TOOK THROUGH DALLAS NOV. 22, 1963, AND INDICATES THE SPOT WHERE THE MOTORCADE CAME UNDER FIRE.

THE SECOND PLAQUE WAS THE ONE WHICH CREATED A CONTROVERSY. ORIGINALLY, THE CITY PROPOSED TO DEVOTE CONSIDERABLE SPACE TO REVIEWING THE HISTORY OF DALLAS BEFORE IT QUOTED THE WARREN COMMISSION ON HOW THE ASSASSINATION OCCURRED.

AFTER CRITICISM FROM BOTH WITHIN AND WITHOUT DALLAS, THE CITY COUNCIL EXCLUDED MENTION OF LOCAL HISTORY.

THE CITY'S OFFICIAL MEMORIAL TO KENNEDY HAS NOT BEEN STARTED YET BUT WILL BE LOCATED TWO BLOCKS EAST OF THE HISTORICAL MARKER.

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