

As a witness to the 1981 Hyatt skywalk disaster, I feel a memorial is important to the city and everyone touched by the tragedy.

Possibly like others, I thought this event could be erased from my memory by just forgetting that night. But this tragedy is part of our city's history and a part of so many affected by it: those who lost their lives or were injured and their families and friends, those who witnessed the tragedy, and those who responded to the tragedy to assist, including the long lines of people who waited to donate blood.

About five years ago, our son came home from school saying he had learned about the skywalk disaster that day in his fifth-grade social studies class. That gave me an opportunity to tell to him I was at the Hyatt that night and to discuss the tragedy.

I welcome a memorial. I have made a donation at www.skywalkmemorial.org and hope to assist in any way possible to make this memorial a reality.

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