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Zurich, Switzerland, January 4 (PL) - The field at the headquarters of the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) will be named after the legendary former Brazilian player Edson Arantes do Nascimento (Pelé), who passed away on December 29, the organization announced.

In this way, FIFA set an example to be followed around the world as a tribute from the soccer community to the South American legend.

The president of the world's top soccer organization, Gianni Infantino, attended Pele's funeral on Monday at the Vila Belmiro de Santos stadium in Brazil and suggested that each of FIFA's 211 member associations name at least one stadium or venue in their country after the three-time world champion.

"The most important thing is to pay tribute to King Pele and, while I have humbly suggested that in all of our 211 member associations at least one stadium or soccer venue be named after him, we will set an example by naming our home ground 'Pele-FIFA Zurich Stadium,'" Infantino said in a FIFA statement.

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