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Walking school bus on the move

Mayor Jed Leano leads a “walking school bus” out of the parking lot at the Hughes Center en route to Condit Elementary School on Wednesday. Leano learned from a Berkeley traffic engineer that other cities were forming walking bus groups, and decided to organize one here after noticing that many people were driving very short distances to school. He has also read studies stating that over the last four decades walking to school is statistically down, while childhood obesity is up. The walking bus will continue for the next three Wednesdays to close out the school year, with hope that it will return in fall. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

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Fireworks show canceled due to water emergency

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Due to the strict water restrictions beginning June 1 the City of Claremont made the decision Wednesday to cancel its Fourth of July fireworks show.

The action was taken following the city council's adoption of a water conservation ordinance, and the declaration of a water emergency on Tuesday, along with the city's responsibility to cut its water usage by 20%.

In order for the show to be held safely, thousands of gallons of water must be used to saturate the field around Pomona College's Strehle track from where the fireworks are launched. City staff felt it was unwise to proceed and the city concluded that with just over a month until the show, there was not enough time to find an alternate location.

On Thursday after press time the Independence Day committee met in a special session to approve a concert at Memorial Park as an alternate celebration.

"In the days leading up to the aerial fireworks display, the fields at Pomona College are heavily irrigated to mitigate fire danger. The City of Claremont has declared a water supply shortage due to extreme drought conditions and enacted outdoor water restrictions for non-essential uses effective June 1, 2022," according to a staff report to the Independence Day committee. "The city, in consultation with local water supply agencies, is focusing on preserving limited water supplies for human health and fire safety purposes. In light of this recent development, the extensive watering necessary to prepare the fields and firework fallout zone will not be possible."

During the meeting Tuesday, the council expressed concern that if residents were asked to cut back water usage then the city should take a look at its summer events that use a lot of water, including the Fourth of July fireworks.

Another popular summer feature, the two wading pools, will also be canceled this year.

In response to the yearslong drought Golden State Water declared a level two water emergency in Claremont, limiting outdoor watering to one day per week and just eight minutes per station. Each ratepayer will be asked to cut back total usage by 20% from a base-line derived from each household's 2020 usage.

This year's fireworks show was set to be the first



Claremont residents were able to enjoy the Upland fireworks show last year that was located at Monte Vista Avenue and Base Line Road. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

since the pandemic began in March 2020, but now the city will have canceled three in a row.

CHS Theatre Department presents Cinderella

The CHS Theatre Department is holding its final production of the year, Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II's Broadway musical, Cinderella, June 2, 3, and 4 at Bridges Auditorium, 450 N. College Way. Shows will be held at 7 p.m. on June 2, 3 and 4th, with an additional 2 p.m. matinee performance on June 4.

Tickets can be purchased at chstheatre2129.com and begin at \$10 for children under 12, \$12 for students and seniors, and \$15 for adults. A \$2 upcharge will be applied for walk up tickets.

Masks are required for all audience members; however, children under five years of age are exempt. Vaccination status or proof of negative test within 48

hours is also required for entry.

For more information, contact Mohammed Mangrio at mmangrio@cusd.claremont.edu.

Speakers sought for Fourth festivities

The 2022 Independence Day committee is looking for orators for the T. Willard Hunter Speakers Corner at the Fourth of July celebration festival. The Speakers Corner provides a forum for residents to speak about almost any subject, from personal to global, while celebrating free speech.

Timeslots between 11:10 a.m. and 2 p.m. are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis and must be pre-arranged. The deadline to submit an entry is June 10. Entry forms are available at the Alexander Hughes community center. For more details, contact the Human Services department at (909) 399-5490 or speialevents@ci.claremont.ca.us.

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City moves forward with plan to relax cannabis ban

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The city has been on a quest recently to determine whether its citizens wish to relax Claremont's regulations on cannabis.

Beginning in March the city initiated a series of coordinated outreach efforts aimed at renewing its cannabis business policy. The city hired HdL Companies to conduct two virtual workshops and circulated an online survey for three weeks.

Approximately 50 people attended the workshops and expressed mostly favorable opinions about allowing cannabis retail stores in Claremont, according to a staff report. It was not entirely a green light, however, as attendees shared concerns about social equity, public safety and location of future marijuana stores.

The 48-question survey revealed strong support for both medicinal and recreational use of marijuana, but less support for allowing commercial cannabis businesses to operate in Claremont. Combined, 321 people, 67.3% of those surveyed, either were strongly or somewhat supportive of adult recreational use, compared with 136 people, 28.5%, who either strongly or somewhat opposed cannabis use. Of those who expressed support, 51% said they did so strongly.

About 80% said they either strongly or somewhat support medical cannabis use.

Intriguingly, while 58.3% said they voted for Proposition 64 which legalized adult marijuana use in California, only 21.6 said they were regular recreational users and another 22.3% said they were occasional users.

Support for commercial cannabis businesses in Claremont was far more tepid than that for legalized use, with 58.5% either strongly or somewhat supporting permitting such businesses. And opposition was not far behind, with 39.3% strongly or somewhat against the idea.

Divided into business type, retail garnered the strongest support with 57.7% expressing support for storefront retailers for medicinal marijuana, 55% for adult recreational retail and 61% for delivery-only services.

Support for other types of commercial cannabis enterprises, such as cultivation and manufacturing, generally received nominal support with the exception of manufacturing using volatile solvents, which was opposed by 64 percent of respondents.

A clear winner among nearly all was the idea of taxing cannabis commerce, with 90.2% either strongly or somewhat supporting taxing retailers.

Armed with this information, the Claremont City Council voted Tuesday to authorize a draft tax ordinance for cannabis businesses in Claremont, despite clearly mixed feelings about actually allowing retailers to set up shop. To move forward, the draft tax or-

inance will need to be placed on the ballot and approved by Claremont voters in November.

The council also approved a resolution for city staff to develop a comprehensive plan for a regulatory policy with a wide range of options, from allowing only delivery services to approving a wide range of commercial businesses.

The Claremont City Council first adopted a ban on commercial cannabis businesses in 2006, years before Governor Jerry Brown signed the Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act in October 2015, which generally authorized local agencies to allow and regulate cannabis businesses.



In anticipation of the Adult Use of Marijuana Act, Proposition 64, being approved by voters, the city council in October 2016 authorized an ordinance prohibiting commercial cannabis operations, including retail dispensaries, cultivation, and manufacturing facilities, as well as delivery services within the city. Voters did indeed support Proposition 64 that November legalizing "possession, transport, purchase, use, and transfer of recreational marijuana for individuals 21 years of age or older."

"Proposition 64 stipulated that if a city did not enact local cannabis commercial licensing restrictions or a ban by January 1, 2018, commercial cannabis businesses could operate with a valid state license. Therefore, until local regulations and interests could be analyzed and identified for implementation, the City of Claremont adopted ordinances to regulate the personal use and cultivation of cannabis and restrict commercial cannabis activities in the city," according to a city staff report.

On February 12, 2019 the city council reaffirmed the cannabis ban.

Mark Lovelace of HdL Companies cautioned on Tuesday that the survey results may not reflect actual voter sentiment, because the type of people who take the time to fill out a long questionnaire tend to be

those with strong views either for or against.

To illustrate the possible margin of error, he compared the percentage of survey respondents who said they voted for Proposition 64 with the actual election results in the city and found the survey "overrepresented" voter sentiment by 18%. This could be a key factor in crafting the new regulatory platform if, as was the case with marijuana cultivation, the survey only found mild support.

Perhaps the greatest motivator in adopting a plan now is the very real possibility that if the council did not act, it would lose the ability to regulate cannabis businesses here if a citizen-driven initiative gets placed on a future ballot and passes.

In its report, staff noted that Hermosa Beach, El Segundo, Dana Point, and Redondo Beach will be facing some type of ballot measures which can favor certain types of business and limit local control.

In 2020 a citizen-sponsored initiative in Pomona allowed for eight businesses, including consumption on-site and a 600-foot buffer zone from schools or other "sensitive sites." In general, citizen-backed ballot measures allowed for a higher number of cannabis businesses to be allowed, as well as less restrictive buffer zones.

Additionally, if a citizen-backed ballot measure received enough signatures in a non-election year, it could trigger a special election, which would cost the city \$140,000.

The tax initiative, if passed by Claremont voters in November, carries a pretty significant reward, with \$250,000 to \$350,000 in estimated annual tax revenue per business.

During its debate, the council brought up the issue of cash-heavy businesses, such as marijuana shops, becoming a magnet for robberies. However, the high level of security at these shops, along with the use of safes and frequent removal of cash via armored vehicles, has resulted in safe operations in other cities.

Several councilmembers signaled they may have had a change of opinion about allowing cannabis business in Claremont, due in a large part to an established framework of best practices that have developed over the past few years through the real-time experiences in other municipalities.

Councilmember Jennifer Stark requested that the city continue to have a robust dialog with the community as the process moves forward.

Though it may seem awkward to enact a tax on a business that currently is not allowed in Claremont, City Manager Adam Pirrie said the city could come up with a regulatory package for the council's approval as soon as six months, which is right around Election Day.

County commits over \$500 million combating homelessness

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Last week the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a \$532.6 million spending plan to combat homelessness countywide.

Approximately 87% of the money, \$466.75 million, will be Measure H funds from the quarter-cent sales tax passed by voters in 2017. The remaining \$65.86 million will be funded by the state.

About 43% of the allocation, or \$227.3 million, will go toward permanent housing, including "a significant increase in permanent supportive housing services to continue serving about 13,300 individuals and families and begin serving an additional 7,700 individuals and families," according to the Los Angeles



Mayor Jed Leano, seen here at Tuesday's council meeting, has been one of the more vocal advocates for affordable housing on the Claremont City Council. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

County Homeless Initiative.

That commitment to lasting housing for formerly unhoused people strikes close to home, as the debate over Claremont's first permanent supportive housing project, Larkin Place, continues with a series of meetings scheduled for the next few weeks.

As previously reported in the COURIER, Jamboree Housing Corporation has proposed a 33-unit, four-story affordable housing complex on Harrison Avenue for formerly homeless people with some type of disability.

Another \$163.3 million, or 30% of the funding, will be spent on interim housing to help sustain about 5,000 of the county's shelter beds. The regions shelter capacity on an average night is 25,000 beds.

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AgingNext welcomes new CEO Abigail Pascua

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After 16 years as chief executive officer of AgingNext, a local nonprofit dedicated to helping seniors age at home, Floy Biggs has announced that she will be departing for greener pastures.

But it's not as though she's leaving the organization in disarray; after a monthslong application and interview process, her heir was appointed earlier this month: of 22-year AgingNext employee, Abigail Pascua.

On Monday, the COURIER sat down with Pascua — whom all, except her parents, refer to as Abby — and she opened up about herself, how she found herself at AgingNext, and what she hopes to accomplish in her new capacity.

Before immigrating from the Philippines, Pascua graduated with a bachelor's degree in computer science in 1997. While her mind was set on utilizing her degree and getting a job in tech, her heart was elsewhere, helping seniors.

"Somehow, my passion to serve people, especially older adults, has always been a calling, always been a purpose for me," she said. "Maybe because I grew up with them."

"I grew up with a lot of older adults. My parents were a lot older when they had me and then I lived with my two aunts who were at the time over 60 years old," she said. "It really was growing up just listening to their stories, I always have that passion and heart to listen to their stories."

She remembers at a young age, rather than playing outside with her cousins, "I would just rather sit down with the oldies and listen to when they talk about the past ... It feels like it's so nice to relive."

In April 1998, Pascua immigrated to Ontario, California.

After a year of job hunting, Pascua believed she found her calling in La Verne. Able to blend her passion for helping seniors and her knowledge of computers, Pascua began working as a reservation agent for Get About Transportation, a senior transportation service offered by the Pomona Valley Transportation



Current AgingNext Vice President Abby Pascua, left, and President/CEO Floy Biggs shared one last silly photo together outside on the Spring Street Center. After 16 years spent as CEO and alongside Pascua, Biggs will be departing for life in Texas, while Pascua will officially take Biggs's place on May 28. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

Authority.

But about 10 months into the gig, Pascua's supervisor asked her if she wanted to apply as an administrative assistant for Claremont's Community Senior Services, which was rebranded as AgingNext in October of 2019.

Her response was "Sure, why not." "I applied, I interviewed and the next thing I know I'm walking into this office, not here but in La Verne," she said. "And I have no idea who Community Senior Services is. I thought I was going to be replacing the admin assistant at Get About Transportation ... at that time."

But it was nothing like that; Pascua would be leaving her post at Get About and instead transferred to Community Senior Services, which had a partnership with Get About Transportation.

"Then I found out like 'Oh yes, I'm working now for Community Senior Services,'" she remembered. However, that one oversight was the beginning of her decades long career.

"I began as an admin assistant 22 years ago and from there worked my way up," she said. "Every day, doing [the work], answering the phones, giving infor-

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Claremont man builds a business, and a family, from tragedy

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Ryan Seward knew who he was from a very young age. His father and brother were both musicians. Clearly, he would be one as well.

He grew up a guitar obsessive. After graduating from Claremont High in 1995, he studied music at Citrus College, learning about composition and harmonic structure, and delving into jazz. He was good. Very good. His path was clear.

He took a gig playing on a cruise ship, where he met the woman who would become his wife, dancer and choreographer Julia Bourne. They married in 2004 and settled on the east coast, where Julia began teaching Pilates. Seward accepted a scholarship to the prestigious Berklee College of Music in Boston, graduating with a bachelor's degree in professional music in 2006.

The couple moved to Claremont a few years later, and in 2010, with Seward teaching music and working as a guitarist, she opened Bourne Pilates in the Village.

In 2014, their twins William and Lilly were born.

They'd built a lovely, suburban family life, with both parents in thriving, fulfilling careers, and a pair of joyous toddlers to raise.

But life can turn on a dime.

In 2016, Bourne was diagnosed with brain cancer. She fought for two years, but succumbed in September 2018 at age 45. The twins were four.

Seward had known this day would come. But there really is no way to prepare to become a single parent.



The trajectory of Claremont resident Ryan Seward's life was altered forever when his wife, Julia Bourne, died in 2018, leaving him the sole provider for their then four-year-old twins. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

His job as a music instructor and guitarist suddenly felt out of step with this new reality. He was at a crossroads. Did he keep teaching and run the Pilates studio? Quit one and do the other? And how exactly

would he parent his kids with two jobs?

He'd been a musician his whole life. But trying to raise a young family, alone, on a musician's income turned out to be impossible.

"I'm just hardwired to do that, so to kind of pry yourself away from that can be kind of painful," Seward said.

He did what he had to do. He took over at Bourne Pilates and continued to teach music.

"Pilates was just not my ... that was sort of way out of the scope of my wheelhouse," Seward said. "I didn't see me transitioning into Pilates as something that was going to be a good fit for me."

Then the pandemic shut things down for a few months. Over that time he saw that health and wellness were going to be on the minds of a great many folks suddenly locked out of nearly every routine.

There was something about his late wife's passion for health and wellness, and her/his clientele at the Pilates studio, that kindled an idea.

"I kind of genuinely wanted to come up with an offering that would help people," he said.

He'd been thinking about installing a refrigerator at the studio and stocking it with juices from Costco. But something about that didn't sit right. So, he bought a juicer, fresh ingredients, and in early summer 2020, began making two-ounce ginger "wellness

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POLICE BLOTTER

By Mick Rhodes

Monday, May 16

What began as a routine arrest of a known trespasser and restraining order violator quickly turned serious when a 32-year-old unhoused man told police there was a bundle of fentanyl inside the abandoned commercial building in which he'd been squatting. The incident began after an officer conducting extra patrol in the area noticed a candle burning in an upstairs room in the vacant building in the 400 block of W. Arrow Hwy., then saw a man walk past the window at 6:23 p.m. Additional CPD officers then responded, and despite repeated calls to come out, the man — whom police knew from three arrests this year and six in 2021 for violating a restraining order at the location due to a relative's home being nearby — refused.

After some admittedly profane cajoling from a detective, the man was persuaded to emerge. He was then arrested once again, and while he was being placed in the back of a police car, allegedly told an officer there was an open bundle of fentanyl on a desk in the upstairs room. This triggered a call to the Los Angeles County Fire Department, who set up at a safe distance away, along with paramedics and an ambulance, just in case somebody was poisoned by the deadly synthetic drug, which is 100 times more powerful than morphine. Two officers and a sergeant, all wearing N95 masks and other PPE, including double gloves, then went into the building, where they in fact found two bindles of a substance they presumed to be fentanyl, and a pipe.

The officers then carefully collected the fentanyl — with the sergeant alongside them armed with doses of the opiate overdose reversing drug Narcan — and took them into evidence. The unhoused man was charged with trespassing, violation of a restraining order, and possession of a controlled substance, all misdemeanors. He was booked and held for court, where he appeared for his arraignment on May 18.

Tuesday, May 17

Claremont police on patrol at 1:56 p.m. in the 600 block of E. Base Line Rd. noticed a shirtless man seated on the sidewalk. He was also missing a shoe, and his

belongings were scattered on the grass nearby. They questioned the 49-year-old unhoused man, and a records check revealed no-bail parole violation warrant out of San Bernardino County. He was then arrested, booked at the station, then transferred to the West Valley Detention Center in Rancho Cucamonga to await a court date.

Thursday, May 19

In an extension of the May 12 crime suppression detail near "motel row," at Indian Hill Blvd. and the 10 Freeway, Claremont police on patrol at 2:33 a.m. reportedly saw a white 2014 Nissan Sentra that had just exited the westbound 10 Freeway and headed north on Indian Hill Blvd. did not have a front license plate. They made a traffic stop near Georgia Ct. and Vista Dr., and as they approached the car allegedly smelled a strong odor of alcohol and saw several open beer bottles in plain view on the floorboard. A records check of the five people in the car revealed 33-year-old Fontana resident Juan Bautista had three active arrest warrants from Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties; and Oscar Nieves, 30, also from Fontana, had two San Bernardino warrants.

Another passenger, 30-year-old Colton man Eduardo Aguayo, allegedly told officers he had a handgun on him as he stepped out of the car. Once he was placed in handcuffs, police say they located a partially loaded Glock 22 .40 caliber handgun, which turned out to be registered to Aguayo, stuffed in his waistband, and a 10-round magazine in his right boot containing three rounds. He was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon in a car, a felony. The driver was found not to be under the influence of alcohol, and was not charged. Bautista, Nieves and Aguayo were transported to CPD headquarters, where they were booked and released with citations to appear in Pomona Superior Court.

At 11:25 a.m., married couple Christopher Agnew and Jessica Agnew, 38 and 35, respectively, walked into the lobby of the Claremont Police Department building accompanied by a bail bondswoman. The couple then surrendered on San Bernardino County felony warrants for their arrest related to conspiracy to commit a crime charges that allegedly occurred

in their hometown of Victorville sometime prior. They were arrested, booked, and were each released on \$50,000 bond and a date with a judge at San Bernardino County Court in Rancho Cucamonga.

Saturday, May 21

A 44-year-old Pomona woman called Claremont police at 1:35 a.m. to report she had just been assaulted and robbed. Pamela Brown-Crane told arriving officers that after withdrawing \$640 from a Bank of America ATM located adjacent to Stater Bros., 1055 W. Foothill Blvd., she got in her car and drove north on Regis Ave., where she saw a purse on in the street in front of the Claremont Swim Club, at 1404 N. Regis Ave. She said she then stopped her car, got out, and a man appeared, approached her, and demanded money. After she refused, she told officers the man — whom she described as black, in his 30s, approximately five-feet 10 inches tall and weighing about 170 lbs. — punched her in her right eye and cheek, ripped her shirt, and removed the \$640 from inside the left cup of her bra.

The man then got away on foot, heading north on Regis Ave., the woman said. Anyone who may have seen someone watching Brown-Crane at the ATM, or witnessed the alleged crime, is asked to call CPD at (909) 399-5411 to provide any details that may help with the investigation.

Monday, May 23

Claremont police received an innocent enough 11:09 a.m. call regarding a man and a woman attempting to steal a bicycle near Blaisdell Park, at College and Oak Park avenues, but it turned out to be anything but routine, allegedly involving the deadly synthetic drug fentanyl. Arriving officers found the bike in question was still at the location, but was missing its front tire. Armed with the caller's description, police located the two suspects near Indian Hill Blvd. and Oak Park Dr. a short time later walking two other bicycles and carrying a front wheel.

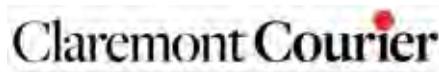
The pair, Claremont resident Faith King, 20, and a 52-year-old unhoused man, allegedly admitted to stealing the front tire. During a search, King was allegedly found to be in possession of a methamphetamine pipe, and was arrested on a misdemeanor charge of possession

of drug paraphernalia. Police say they found a small rock of fentanyl-laced meth on the unhoused man, and he was subsequently arrested for possession of a controlled substance, also a misdemeanor. The owner of the bike wheel did not wish to prosecute for the theft, but did want his wheel returned, which the officers did shortly thereafter. It was not the CPD's first encounter with King, a spokesman told the COURIER. Police viewed home video surveillance footage provided by a homeowner they say showed King arriving at a Claremont home late one evening last June, walking up to a bedroom window, reaching into a baggie and passing an unknown quantity of pills through the window into the waiting hand of a juvenile girl who lived there. That investigation was closed after the minor girl's parents told a Claremont Police Department detective they did not wish to pursue prosecution.

A Claremont man was behind bars after police discovered a shotgun in his bedroom, triggering them to ask a judge to issue an emergency protective order for his 82-year-old grandmother, whom he had allegedly threatened to kill in the apartment they shared. The grandmother called Claremont police at 11 a.m. to report her grandson, Andrew Perez, who uses a wheelchair, had threatened her life during an argument.

Perez was gone by the time the cops arrived, but the woman gave them permission to search his room, where they allegedly found a brown and black pistol grip shotgun sitting on his bed in plain view. The gun was collected for safe keeping. Officers immediately contacted a Los Angeles Superior Court judge, who issued an emergency protective order for the grandmother.

At 4:02 p.m. the grandmother called police to report she had seen Perez's wheelchair outside a rear bedroom exterior door of the apartment, and that she believed he had returned and was in his room. Officers arrived and were allowed into the apartment, where they found Perez in his bedroom and took him into custody without incident. He was then booked and transferred to the Los Angeles County Twin Towers Inmate Reception Center, where he was held in front of a May 25 date with a judge.



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Carnage in Texas**Dear editor:**

I know Tuesday, May 24, 2022 must have been a very sad and emotional day for you and all educators. I know it was for me as we have seen so many shootings in the past years and early 2022. It started over 20 years ago in Columbine, CO. I do not blame the NRA or having the second amendment; I blame the entertainment industry that believes to have exciting entertainment a gun must be in the scene and firearm use. This year the tables were turned on the entertainment industry when one of their own was murdered on set. Violence occurs every day but it need not be glorified.

**Gerald Collier
Claremont**

Golden State Water quick to fine...**Dear editor:**

This drought is no doubt serious but I'm appalled that Claremont's water agency, an investor owned utility, is being allowed to collect new fines on the water we use this year (starting next month). They will do so using 2020, a single year, as a water use as a baseline.

While the agency will argue that these fines will inspire and "price signal" conservation, the fines are more likely intended to offset conservation costs and protect the profits of their shareholders.

I keep an eye on the water conservation programs of most of our region's water agencies and our for-profit water company has been one of a few that has done the bare minimum to share water conservation information.

I don't mean to demonize their staff, there are undoubtedly good people there, but the profit driven motive cannot be overlooked. These planned water con-

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servation efforts paid for by those who can't meet this new mandate, will likely be window dressing at best.

**Drew Ready
Claremont**

Response to "Viewpoint: Expressing our condolences" (COURIER, May 20)**Dear editor:**

Sadly, last week's essay in the COURIER, written by Pastor Thom Johnson on behalf of the Inland Valley Working Group for Mideast Peace, though seemingly well-intentioned, has sown the seeds of discord with its inherent disregard for evenhandedness. The piece extends condolences for the death of the Palestinian-American journalist Shireen Abu Akleh, killed by a stray bullet in the Jenin refugee camp on the West Bank. Sadly, the pastor's words are not a mere expression of grief, as he proceeds to characterize Abu Akleh's death as a murder which has filled his group with "moral outrage." Johnson goes on to condemn Israel for "a disproportionate response" to Palestinian grievances.

The Inland Valley group is not well positioned to express moral outrage. When, on May 5, two Palestinians, armed with axes, murdered three Israeli men, the fathers of 16 children, the group expressed neither grief nor outrage. Without evidence, they characterize Abu Akleh's death as a murder, thereby demonizing the Israeli military. The group makes no

mention of the indiscriminate launching of 4,000 rockets into Israel by Hamas since 2021. Where is the group's moral outrage?

Through word choice and omission, the group has failed to beat swords into plow shares and spears into pruning hooks.

Sincerely,

**Marilyn E. Lubarsky
Claremont**

Stop presidential corruption**Dear editor:**

Republicans and Democrats should be able to agree that no president, regardless of party, should be able to obstruct and undermine the will of the American people or exploit weaknesses in our political system for personal gain.

That's where the Protecting Our Democracy Act comes in. If passed, it would prevent future abuse of presidential power and corruption, increase transparency, and ensure presidents of either party can be held accountable.

Strengthening the guardrails on presidential power is just common sense. If the average person used their office for personal gain, they'd go to jail. If the average person could pardon themselves, there would be no rule of law.

No president should be above the law. That's why I'm urging Congress to pass the Protecting Our Democracy Act. We must prevent future presidents of any party from abusing the power of their office.

Sincerely,

**Saundra Johnson
Claremont**

Setting the city council record straight**Dear editor:**

At the May 24, 2022 city council meeting, former Mayor Jennifer Stark stated:

"I do think it is interesting that previous colleagues who decided to go the pathway of districts, are urging us to take on another project" (to form an ad hoc committee to lobby the state for an exemption from voting districts). "Truly, with all due

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What is a haiku

I don't know what I'm doing

Okay here I go

— Jack Wesley, age 10

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respect, to former Mayor Larry Schroeder and former Mayor Joe Lyons, there is a lot of important items that are in front of us at any one time. And so, there is a list of priorities that we have to go by and so to create an ad hoc committee now to kind of relitigate this, I think, isn't in our annual plan for this year. And so, I would just like to come forward and approve the recommendation" before the city council to adopt a resolution requiring collaboration and citywide consideration among the city council.

Since city council procedures do not allow time for someone from the public to refute these comments at the city council meeting, I have chosen to rebut them in this letter.

First, on February 12, 2019, I voted against districting map 124a. I did vote in favor of a procedural motion concerning the voting order of districts as well as a motion to introduce the first reading of the ordinance adopting, establishing, and implementing a by-district method of election. Since an ordinance needed two readings to pass, I knew that the process could be stopped at the time of the second reading. This would give the city council two more weeks to consider the implications of districting.

On February 26, 2019, I, along with Councilmember Ed Reece, voted against

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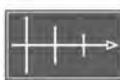
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A personal interview with a two-member City Council sub-committee will be scheduled for all applicants. It is the Council's goal to appoint individuals who reflect the diversity of the community.

Applications and additional information are available in the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 207 Harvard Avenue, Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and on the City's website - www.ci.claremont.ca.us. Please contact the City Clerk's office for assistance - (909) 399-5461 or (909) 399-5463. Please submit your applications on or before June 6, 2022.

Residential Reminders — week of May 27

In-person dining at community centers

On May 5, the Claremont Senior Program announced that after more than two years of serving meals to-go in adherence to pandemic safety protocols, “in-person congregate dining will return to the Joslyn and Blaisdell senior centers this summer.”

In-person meal service will resume Monday, June 6 at the Joslyn center, and on July 18 at the Blaisdell center. The last day of takeout meal service at the Joslyn center will be Wednesday, June 1.

Reservations will be required to dine at the sites to ensure adequate spacing between diners and quality service. Indoor and outdoor seating options will be available.

For more information or to make reservations, contact the Joslyn center at (909) 399-5488 or the Blaisdell center at (909) 399-5367.

Lunch service volunteers

On May 19 the city announced that the Claremont Senior Program will soon be in need of “dedicated volunteers” to serve lunch to the seniors at the Joslyn and Blaisdell senior centers.

“Volunteer assistance will be needed for serving lunch, washing dishes, and light cleaning after lunch service is finished,” the city wrote online. “Most of all, we are seeking volunteers who will make our patrons feel welcome and cared for.”

Lunch is served five days a week and begins at 11:30 a.m. at the Joslyn center and at noon at Blaisdell.

If you are able to volunteer at least one day a week for a couple of hours, contact the Joslyn center at (909) 399-5488 to find out how you can help.

Returning those ballots

Registered voters in California should have received a vote by mail

ballot sometime over the past three weeks. As usual, that ballot can be filled out and submitted by mail with no postage necessary; however, it must be postmarked by Election Day, June 7.

Vote-by-mail ballots can be dropped off at ballot drop boxes located near the Claremont Helen Renwick Library, 208 N. Harvard Ave., the Alexander Hughes Community Center, 1700 Danbury Rd., and Taylor Hall, 1775 N. Indian Hill Blvd.

On Saturday in-person voting will commence at Taylor Hall beginning at 10 a.m. and will last until 7 p.m. In-person voting will run daily until June 6. On Election Day, polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

For more information, please contact the City Clerk’s office at (909) 399-5460. On the night of the election real time results can be found at www.lavote.gov.

Police to hold DUI checkpoint on Friday

On Friday, May 27, the Claremont Police Department will conduct a sobriety checkpoint at an undisclosed location within the city.

According to police, the checkpoint will take place between 7 p.m. and 2 a.m. Drivers will be stopped long enough to determine that they are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Officers will also ensure that drivers are wearing their seatbelts and possess valid driver licenses.

Funding for this checkpoint is provided to the Claremont Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. CPD reminds everyone to report drunk drivers by dialing 9-1-1.

Letters

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the ordinance establishing and implementing by-district elections, as well as the district voting map 124a, and the election sequence. To say that I have previously “decided to go the pathway of districts” is not true. I believe it is important for city council members to check their public statements for accuracy. You can confirm my votes by looking up the city council minutes of these meetings on the city’s website.

Also, to state that “there is a list of priorities that we have to go by” does not acknowledge that priorities may change over time and may have to be reordered.

I hope this clears up any misunderstanding of this situation. Additionally, I hope the city council considers what actions can be taken to change state mandates for districting, as districting clearly does not serve small cities such as Claremont well. In the short term, the city council can and should revisit the makeup of

districts that have been established.

**Larry Schroeder
Claremont**

The Water Stasi

Dear editor:

Water is the only natural force over which Californians have any control. Yet despite a long and recent history of droughts, our state is once again demanding that urban dwellers—who account for less than 6% of total water consumption—take shorter showers and turn off their sprinklers, as if a hoped-for 20% reduction of that 6% is going to make more than a de minimis difference.

Our goal should be to create an abundance of water, not ration a shortage of water.

Instead of building more reservoirs, aqueducts and desalination plants, Sacramento prefers to build a bullet train to nowhere. Instead of policies designed to

store, capture, and generate enough water to meet a growing population’s needs, we continue to rely on conservation and rationing.

And we don’t even do rationing right. As any first-year economics student learns, a government rationing of things in short supply is fraught with difficulties and almost always unproductive. As Milton Friedman famously quipped, “If you put the federal government in charge of the Sahara Desert, in five years there would be a shortage of sand.” Economics is all about scarcity, and the most efficient way to ration scarce resources is through pricing. If water is scarce, we need to raise its price. That way, those who use less are rewarded and those who use more are punished. Yet what the Golden State Water Stasi is now demanding will do just the opposite. Those who were profligate users of water in 2020 (the baseline that will be used to judge how much we need

to cut back today) will be rewarded if they just become a little less profligate. Those who made a big effort to cut water consumption before 2020 (e.g., by replacing grass with drought-efficient plants) will find it very difficult to make further cuts today.

California’s average annual rainfall is about 200 million acre-feet per year, according to the California Department of Water Resources. 50% of that goes to “environmental” uses (i.e., it flows freely out to sea), 40% for agriculture, 5.7% for residential users, and 4.3% for commercial, governmental and industrial uses.

Why are we urban dwellers cast as the culprit, when in fact we are simply bit players in the water drama? Instead of Golden Stasi threatening us with water cut-offs, our collective ire should be directed to Governor Newsom.

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- 13. Apple cider girl of song
- 14. Enlighten
- 16. Devilkin
- 17. "Greatest" boxer
- 18. Send another way
- 19. Sheet music abbr.
- 20. Claremont's "Queen of Pickleball", goes with 55 across
- 22. Hardly a picky eater
- 24. Strengthen
- 26. They're not returned
- 27. Fasionable twins!
- 29. Prefix with pad
- 33. Electrocardiograph. abbr.
- 36. Broadcasting
- 38. Makes a bundle
- 39. Not a thing
- 40. Breakfast item
- 42. Piniella of the Yankees
- 43. Nickname for local school sports team who won their first ever CIF title
- 45. Stuffs
- 46. Venomous snake
- 47. Tomato type

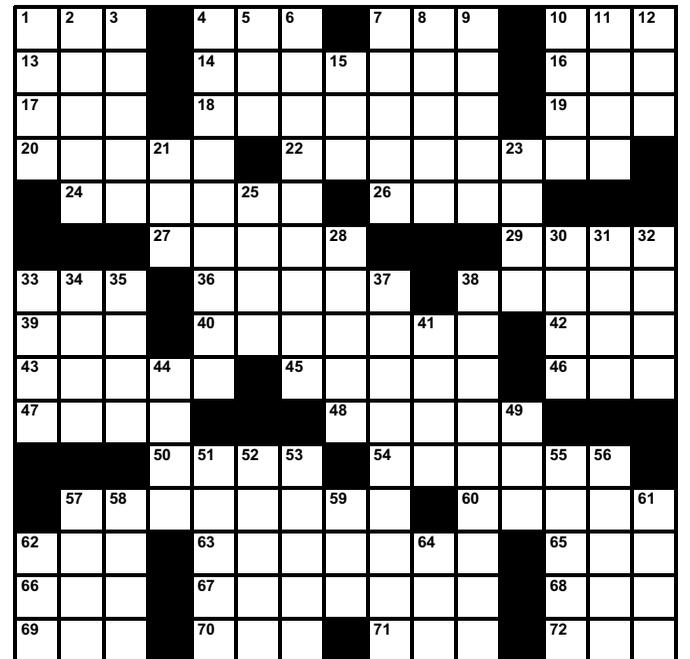
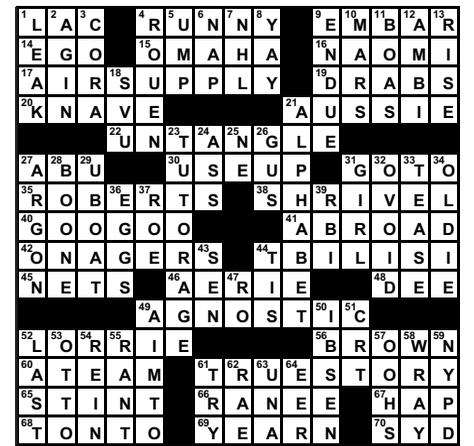
- 48. Potting materials
- 50. Adherents. suffix
- 54. See 20 across
- 57. Loom
- 60. Put out
- 62. "... a man ___ mouse?"
- 63. Shore, compared to the ocean
- 65. Six-pointers, for short
- 66. Armed conflict
- 67. Sea fed by the Jordan
- 68. Annual meeting. abbr.
- 69. CPR specialist, abbr.
- 70. Compass point.
- 71. Venusians, e.g.
- 72. Hive denizen

Down

- 1. Dove competitor
- 2. Wing it
- 3. North East state
- 4. Computer speed measurements
- 5. Chemical ending
- 6. Jacques Cousteau and others
- 7. "Mountain," in Hawaii
- 8. Heirloom location
- 9. Annoy
- 10. Dishonest person
- 11. Nagy of Hungary

- 12. "Weekend Edition" ainer
- 15. Goes with dot
- 21. In excelsis ___
- 23. Workplace safety org.
- 25. Ens. producer
- 28. Rechargeable battery
- 30. Jazzy Fitzgerald
- 31. Thirteen popes
- 32. Bats
- 33. Caltech grad, perhaps
- 34. "See ya"
- 35. Dour
- 37. Fundamental reasons
- 38. Straddles
- 41. Roadside
- 44. Retreat
- 49. Start of a cheer
- 51. Bulrush, e.g.
- 52. Gogol's "___ Bulba"
- 53. Arrange, as hair
- 55. Cornerstone abbr.
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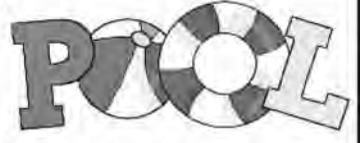


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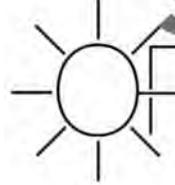
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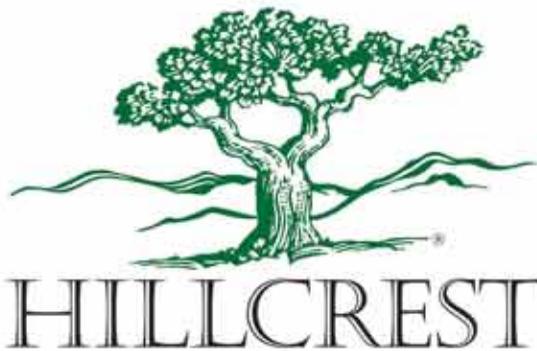



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What's happening Claremont?

BY ANDREW ALONZO

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FRIDAY 5/27

- Exercise has endless benefits, yet it can be hard to find the motivation or time. Join Inter Valley Health Plan's **Friday Fitness** course virtually every Friday at 10 a.m., to get some movement in your week. Attendees learn a new exercise every month and the classes are free for all. To register, visit ivhp.com/vitality.

- The **Claremont Chamber of Commerce centennial gala** takes place at 5:30 p.m. in Pomona College's Marston Quad. The chamber will not only celebrate 100 years of business, but will also install its 2022-2023 board of directors and present its Claremont Business of the Year awards. Tickets begin at \$125 and can be purchased at claremontchamber.org/2022/02/24/centennial-gala.

SATURDAY 5/28

- At 4 p.m., the Claremont Chorale will present **"Everybody Rejoice,"** at Claremont United Methodist Church, 211 W. Foothill Blvd. The choir will sing songs of renewal, faith and hope. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online or at the door. Proof of COVID vaccination or a negative COVID test within 72 hours is required before entrance. For information or for tickets, visit claremontchorale.org.

- Magician Clinton Combs will perform psychic readings at 6 p.m. at the Claremont Forum. Then at 7 p.m., poet Delores Abdella Combs will host an open mic night of poetry. The event is dubbed **Readings and Readings** and admission is free. For more information, call the Forum at (909)-626-3066.

SUNDAY 5/29

- Every Sunday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., the **Claremont farmers and artisans market** is held throughout the Village. You'll find organic food, clothing,

jewelry, handcrafted items and more. The weekly market is the perfect place to find unique crafts made locally. For more information, visit claremontforum.org/claremont-farmers-market-2.



- **Joel Paat Jazz Project** will perform live jazz at the College Center, 665 E. Foothill Blvd., at 2 p.m. The concert will last approximately three hours and is free to the public. For more information or to view the monthly jazz lineup, visit jazzatcollegecenter.com.

MONDAY 5/30

- In observance of **Memorial Day**, city offices and the post office will be closed. The COURIER salutes those who made the ultimate sacrifice. The

City of Claremont, American Legion Keith Powell Post 78 and Friends of the Oak Park Cemetery will hold Memorial Day services at Oak Park Cemetery, 410 Sycamore Ave., to remember and honor our fallen soldiers. The ceremony will begin at 11 a.m. For more details, call (909) 399-5490.

- The final day to experience the 2022 **Los Angeles County Fair** is today between 11 a.m. and 11 p.m. at the Pomona Fairplex. For information and tickets, visit lacountyfair.com.

TUESDAY 5/31

- The public is invited to another special community meeting regarding **Larkin Place**, hosted by Jamboree Housing at the Alexander Hughes Community Center, 1700 Danbury Rd. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. and will cover supportive services on the premises. For details, contact Jamboree at (949) 263-8676.

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WEDNESDAY 6/1

• The Service Center for Independent Life, 107 S. Spring St., will host a **blood donation drive** between noon and 6 p.m. Appointments can be made online at the American Red Cross website, redcrossblood.org, or by calling 1-(800)-RED-CROSS.



• The **community and human services commission meeting** will take place at in the council chamber, 225 W. Second St., at 7 p.m. Information about the meeting can be found at ci.claremont.ca.us/home/components/calendar/event/5985/20.

THURSDAY 6/2

• Enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and movement while learning school readiness skills at Claremont Helen Renwick Library's fun course, **smarty pants story time**, at 10:15 a.m. Attendance is

limited, and advance registration is required. For details, go to <https://la-countylibrary.org/claremont-library>.

• Between 2 and 3 p.m., AgingNext will be host its **good reads book club** via Zoom for AgingNext village members. For information on how to join the group, call the office at (909) 621-9900 and ask for Bea Kirkman.

• At 7 p.m. in the council chamber, the **police commission** will host its monthly meeting. For more info, visit ci.claremont.ca.us/home/components/calendar/event/6052/20?curm=6&cury=2022.

• Stop by the Claremont Forum Library at 8 p.m. for **handcrafted mysteries**, a magic show by magician Greg Van Holsbeck. The show ran for 56 weeks in 2019 and 2020 at the bookstore and is finally back with plenty of brand new illusions. Information about the show and tickets, which begin at \$25, can be found at claremontforum.org/event/greg-van-holsbecks-handcrafted-mysteries-2.

FRIDAY 6/3

• The Joslyn Center's **war and existentialism book club** meets on the first Friday of every month from 4 to 5 p.m. at the center, 660 N. Mountain

Ave. June's selection for discussion is "The Doors of Perception" by Aldous Huxley. Pre-registration is required by calling (909) 399-5488.

• **Friday Nights Live** performers include Pride of Cucamonga at Shelton Park, Blues and Fries at the Village Plaza, and Larry and Rhonda Jackson outside of the chamber of commerce offices. Performances will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. and are free. For more details, visit claremontchamber.org.

SATURDAY 6/4

• At 5:30 p.m., Claremont Heritage will host its **46th annual awards gala**, "Welcome Home," at the DoubleTree Hotel, 555 W. Foothill Blvd. The event will name this year's Bess Garner Preservation Award and Cultural Heritage Award winners. The event also helps raise funds needed to "continue our mission that serves more than 5,000 community members, schoolchildren, and visitors each year ..." Tickets begin at \$100 for Heritage members and \$125 for non-members and can be purchased at https://claremontheritage.org/gala_tickets.html.

• The fifth **Claremont Art Walk** of 2022 will take place from 6 to 9 p.m.

across the city and Village. For more info, visit claremontvillage.com/claremont-art-walk. Attendees are encouraged to follow COVID-19 health and safety guidelines, outlined by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.



SUNDAY 6/5

• Today is the final performance of Ophelia Jump Production's, **Sondheim on Sondheim**, which will be held at 2009 Porterfield Way, Suite 1 in Upland at 4 p.m. General admission begins at \$35 and tickets may be purchased online. For details or to purchase tickets, visit opheliasjump.org. On June 2, the 7:30 p.m. evening production will be a "pay what you choose" night.

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Time's running out for the spring postage drive

On April 1, the Prison Library Project kicked off its first ever spring postage drive, a fundraiser attempting to gather over \$6,000 that will help answer letters from inmates across the country.

Each month, the Prison Library Project, housed at the Claremont Forum Library, receives thou-

sands of letters from inmates at over 300 prisons around the nation. All write requesting books and education materials from the local nonprofit.

Every month, the project provides nearly 850 books to inmates in 42 states. In 2019, the project mailed over 10,000 books to inmates.

However, with little manpower and high postage costs, the Prison Library Project decided to launch the spring postage drive to help cover shipping costs.

If the \$6,000 goal is met, the funds will help the project respond to at least

95% of the book requests the project has pending, according to Claremont Forum manager Ivan Mendez.

The final day of the fundraiser is May 31. To donate for the cause online, visit <https://claremontforum.networkforgood.com/projects/154718-spring-postage-drive>.

The Forum breaks down the various levels of donation as follows: \$25 sends packages of books to seven people; \$100 covers the postage for an entire day of book requests; and \$500 allows the nonprofit to answer an additional 140 letters requesting books. As of press time Thursday, the drive

has raised [\$6,226] in donations.

"We just want to better the world if we can, even if it is on a small level," Mendez told the COURIER in April. "People will say, 'Oh they're just sending books ...' If one out of those 2,500,000 inmates are impacted by a book and they can improve or develop their life ... have a better life prior to them being incarcerated ... we're winning in that aspect [and] that's a victory for them. That's the reason why we do it."

For more information, visit claremontforum.org/event/spring-postage-drive.

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Another Claremont Little League season in the books

by Andrew Alonzo

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On Saturday, May 21, parents, coaches, volunteers and players of Claremont Little League gathered at College Park to put to bed another successful season of baseball.

But before afternoon festivities and distribution of trophies, scores and titles had to be settled during the finals of the city tournament.

In the early morning hours, players who made it to the finals of their respective division headed to the park's diamonds to play for the championship. Here's who came out victorious.

In the J.V. division, the Pirates bested the Yankees; in the majors, the Rays defeated the Yankees; and in the juniors tournament, the Dodgers (also) bested a Yankees team on Saturday. On Friday evening, the Diamondbacks trumped the Mariners in the minors division to take the city title.

No extra games had to be played at noon on Saturday, so players and families took a two-hour leave before coming back for the annual home run derby.

The derby saw 12 participants in the first round, all majors players who hit a home run or more during the regular season. In the second round, only four participants remained: the Reds' Mattias Arredondo and William Scoby, the Rays' Mason Quintero, and the Yankees' Maxi Garcia. The remaining youngsters hit five or more home runs in the first round of the derby.

The home run derby winner was the Reds' Mattias Arredondo, who smashed eight pitches to or over the fence in both the first and final rounds. Mattias became the first 10-year-old to win the home run derby and joins past winners including Brady Beckham (2021), Reed



Winner of the home run derby champ, 10-year-old Reds' Mattias Arredondo. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

Miller (2020) and Will Middleton (2019).

To celebrate the victory, Mattias laid on the floor and threw up his index finger to show all that he was number one. In addition to his derby trophy, he also received a signed baseball from this year's derby participants, a

box of Pokémon cards and \$20 from his grandmother.

Following the derby, President of Claremont Little League Jenny Ballesteros began the closing ceremony, a first in two years since COVID-19 began. A brief gift ceremony was held to honor departing CLL board mem-

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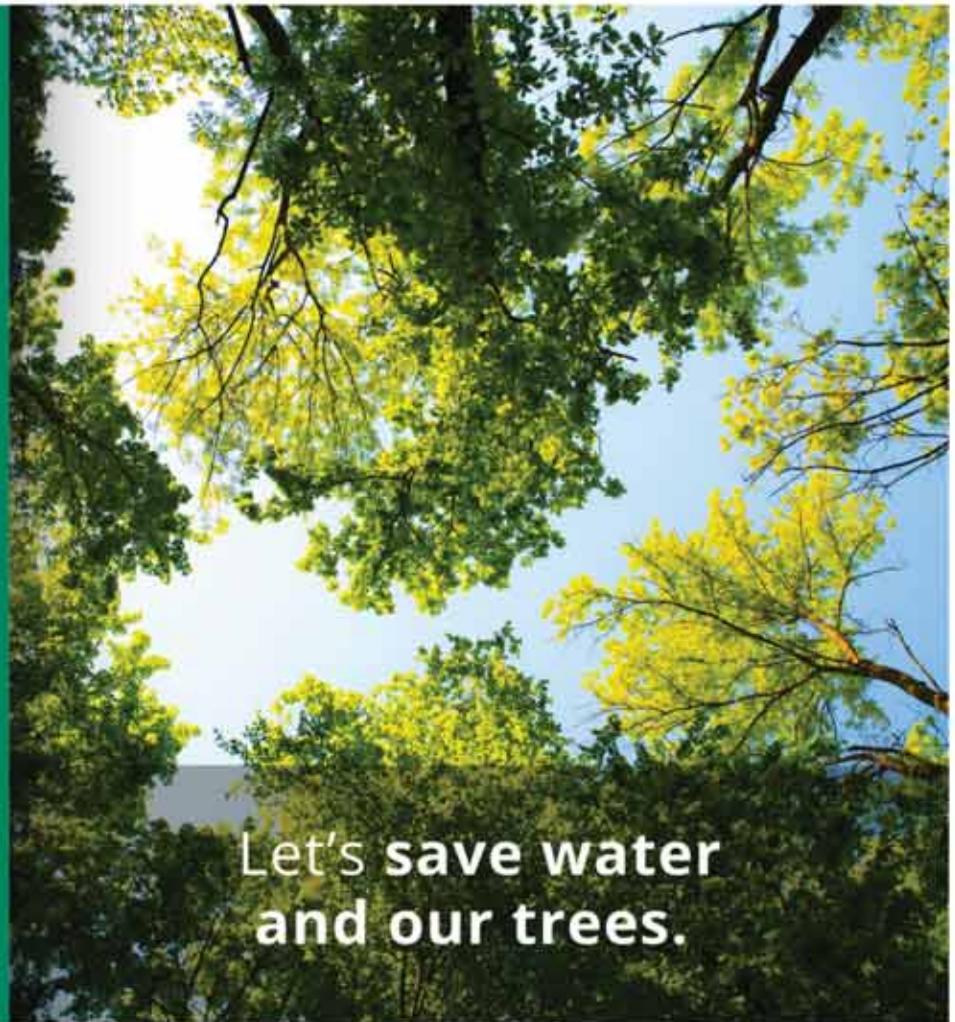
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Claremont Little League wraps up season

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bers: Jeff Blacksher, secretary of three years, Dennis Ho, information officer of four years and 10-year board member and departing vice president, Oliver Weiler.

After hugs and cheers for the board members, teams that had placed third, second and first were recognized during the afternoon trophy ceremony. All 150 recognized players received a big high five and award from their coaches for their hard work this season.

After the ceremony, Ballesteros said 2022 was a season of firsts, with 10-year-olds being allowed into the majors division, and a new intermediate division [for 13-year-olds] seeing its debut.

“We just finished intermediate this spring. It was our first time [hosting] and we had some really good volunteers. Adrian Anderson and Jim Batts pushed to get that age group rolling,” she said. “We’re hoping it becomes a feeder program into the high school.”

She also shared her favorite memory of the season: its normality. With so many ups and downs t previous years due to COVID-19, the president expressed her joy at having just a “normal season” for the first time in two years.

“You know it always goes back to that 2020 season, it always goes back to the season we didn’t get to finish,” she said.

But this time around, “it felt like a real season, it felt like a normal season,” she added. “I’m sad that the season is coming

to an end, but I know that there’s more baseball to be had.”

Like every season, the 2022 campaign was a beginning for players in the T-ball and farm divisions, as well as for some in the juniors. But Saturday’s closing ceremony also marked the end of an era for players who have made College Park a second home.

Players like Luke Forgey, a 12-year-old formerly of the major league Giants, will say goodbye to Little League play at the park and potentially join the new intermediate division. Intermediate players will join the juniors in playing and practicing at Griffith Park.

Luke has a lot of fond memories of CLL baseball, but he said his favorite is getting to play this season.

“I just really, really wanted to place this season in the top three. We played our hardest and it was one of my favorite seasons,” he said. “It’s my last year as a Little League player ... my mom’s really emotional about it and tonight I’m going to party forever with my team.”

“Yeah, it was a great season,” he added.

A majority of players said that their favorite moments of the season were either hitting a home run or simply hanging out with their teammates and friends.

In the evening, 92 players were recognized at their homes by CLL officials for making it onto the Claremont All Star



On Saturday, Adrian Choi, a player on the major Rays team, shares a fist bump with his coach, Mike Giles, right, before collecting his first place trophy during the closing ceremony of Claremont Little League at College Park. The Rays team won the Major’s division of the city tournament. Helping coach alongside Giles this season were Manny Quintero, middle, and Brian Dorman, left. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

team, including honorary Junior All-Star Gael Porter. To view the full list of Claremont All-Stars, visit facebook.com/claremontlittleleague.

The all-star team includes an under-eight team managed by Jessie Rodriguez; an under-nine team managed by Nick Lemas; an under-10 team managed by Tony Spinrad; an under-11 team managed by Jason Annigian; an under-12 team managed by Tami Patlogar; an intermediate team managed by Adrian Anderson; and

a juniors team managed by Ray Stradley.

Asked about what’s next for CLL, Ballesteros said, “I don’t know yet. I got some big ideas but I got to see where we’re at. We got to get there first.”

Although the Claremont Little League season came to a close, all-star practice began on Monday, May 23. All-star tournaments for the different age groups are scheduled for late June.

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John Owen Regan

Beloved grandfather, longtime CGU professor, traveler

John Owen Regan died May 13, 2022 at Mt. San Antonio Gardens in Claremont, California. He was 90 years old.

He was born John O'Regan on May 31, 1931 in Sydney, Australia. While he was a youngster, his father left the family and he moved with his mother, Lola Marjorie Pogonoswki, to Melbourne, where Lola's brother lived. There she married Roderick Juchau, and together they raised young John. Wanting to spare him the prejudice they saw toward those with Irish Catholic surnames, his parents dropped the "O" from his last name, transforming it into the middle name of Owen. When he was 10 years old, his beloved sister, Janeta, was born to Lola and Roderick.

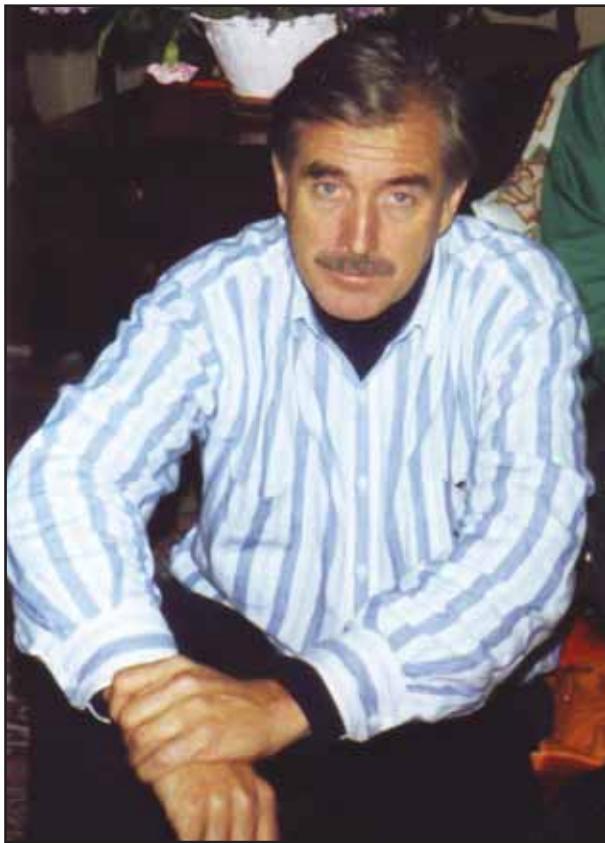
As he told the story, soon after graduating from Melbourne High School, he told his mother, "I'm going to go see the world." And a year later, after working to save money for the trip, he and his best mate Brian departed Melbourne in a steam ship, riding steerage across the Indian Ocean, through the Suez Canal, and into the Mediterranean. For the next few years he hitchhiked, biked, and camped around Europe, from Scotland to Sweden and from Italy to East Germany. With his big personality, good looks, and appreciation of people from all cultures, he made many friends.

Eventually, he became a permanent resident in Canada, where he supported himself with various jobs, including setting up pins in a bowling alley and logging in the Ontario forests, before eventually earning his undergraduate degree at McMaster University. He taught school in Canada and Germany (working for NATO). While teaching high school literature and dramatics in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Canada, he met fellow teacher Margaret Jessie Little, a farm girl from southern Ontario who was drawn to his energy, enthusiasm, and resemblance to Elvis Presley.

They married at her family's church near Iona Station on April 15, 1960. His irreverence and sense of adventure were the perfect complement to Margaret's reserve and decorum, and they both appreciated these qualities in the other. In addition, they shared a love of music, art, and conversation.

After completing a doctorate in education at SUNY Buffalo, John took an academic job at the University of Alberta, Edmonton. The couple's daughters, Catherine and Alexandra, were born during this time.

In 1966, when he was offered a position teaching in



the school of educational studies at Claremont Graduate School (now Claremont Graduate University), he knew it would be a good fit for the sun-loving Aussie and his young family. Their son Philip was born here, and they soon bought a home on 12th Street, where they could walk or bike to the Claremont Colleges, the local public schools, and the Methodist Church.

He never stopped traveling the world, and he made sure his family got to see it as well. Summers and sabbaticals were for visits to Canada, Europe and Australia. He was at the same time deeply rooted in Claremont, its academic community, the Village, the Rotary Club, and the Claremont United Methodist Church. The couple hosted frequent dinner parties at their 12th Street home. He enjoyed nothing more than bringing people from different circles together and listening to the wide-ranging conversations that arose from these events.

Although early on he worked to remove traces of his Australian accent because he thought it sounded too provincial, he grew to be extremely proud of his Australian roots; in later years he quoted "My Country," Dorthea Mackellar's ode to Australia, so often that his

grandson Benjamin had it memorized and they would recite it together.

He was well-liked as a professor at Claremont Graduate School and inspired many students to share his passion for anthropological linguistics and semiotics. His long-running communication project brought together artists, filmmakers and academics to explore topics in non-verbal knowledge, semiotics, and cultural phenomena.

After receiving a Durfee grant that allowed him to travel to China, he applied his research in non-verbal knowledge and communication to Chinese speakers and the Chinese writing system. As he had throughout his career, he let his curiosity guide him to new pursuits as he undertook a massive project of history and archival work that began with the life of William Pettus and ended up encompassing much of the history of China in the first half of the 20th century.

He enjoyed making others happy and would often give bunches of flowers to friends, neighbors and colleagues. His children fondly remember his homemade pizza — all of the other cooking he left to his wife — he made for them and their friends. He also loved bicycling, dogs, and his children (not necessarily in that order). He had a zeal for language and talking, and fortunately his family members were all good listeners. He disliked sarcasm and rejected pessimism. His wife and children adored him.

After retirement, he enjoyed spending more time with his three grandchildren and took pride in all of their accomplishments. As his health declined and language became more difficult, it was remarkable that the words he repeated most often — amazing, wonderful, beautiful, thank you and darling — were all uplifting.

He was predeceased by his wife, Margaret Regan; his oldest child, Catherine Marjorie Regan; and his sister, Janeta Grady (Juchau).

He is survived by his daughter Alexandra Regan and son Philip Regan; son-in-law Andrew Plantinga; daughter-in-law Heather Long; and grandchildren Case Plantinga Regan, Greta Plantinga Regan and Benjamin Regan. "We will miss his warmth and passion for life very much," his family shared.

A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 13 at Claremont United Methodist Church, 211 W. Foothill Blvd., Claremont 91711.

In lieu of flowers, a donation to Claremont Graduate University's John Regan Lecture Series at <https://www.cgu.edu/give/>, or the Margaret Regan Memorial Fellowship at <https://www.cgu.edu/give/fellowships/endowed-fellowships/>, would be appreciated. Contact the CGU Office of Advancement at (909) 621-8027 for more information.

Daniel R. DeChaine, Jr.

Longtime Claremonter, fencing armorer, craft beer enthusiast, opera lover

Daniel "Dan" Robert DeChaine Jr. died peacefully on May 20, after a short illness.

Dan was born October 29, 1934 in Paso Robles, California, and had lived in Claremont since 1968. He moved from Paso Robles to attend Pomona College, where he earned his bachelor's degree in 1956. It was there that he was introduced to his two loves: his wife Myra and the sport of fencing.

After college graduation, the couple married in the Scripps College garden. Over the next few years they welcomed two children, Rob and Laura.

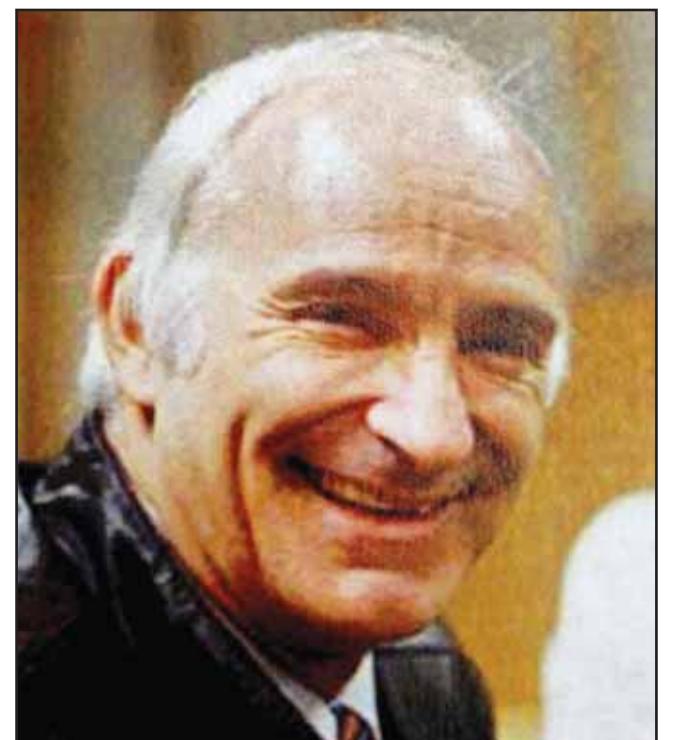
He worked at General Dynamics for many years while simultaneously serving as an armorer for the USA Fencing team. He became more involved in the sport of fencing

and served as armorer for numerous world fencing events, including the Pan American Games, Junior, Cadet and Senior Fencing World Championships and numerous other events. At the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games, he was the managing armorer.

In addition to serving as an armorer for decades, Mr. DeChaine invented, designed and constructed testing devices for fencing which were used at several Olympic games. His extensive contributions to the sport resulted in his induction into the USA Fencing Hall of Fame in 2007.

In his spare time, you could find him listening to opera (very loudly) or enjoying a craft beer with his son, Rob. They loved the craft breweries in the area and regularly spent time together until Rob's death due to cancer in 2018.

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Lloyd Gastineau

Beloved patriarch, lifelong learner, engineer, traveler

Lloyd Gastineau, a Claremont resident for 61 years, known for his wide-ranging curiosity about the world, died May 10. Born October 11, 1927, to Artie Missie and Ray Gastineau in Redford, Missouri, on the family farm, he was 94 years old.

A lifelong learner and man of discipline, Lloyd served two years in the US Navy, teaching radar at the US Naval station on Treasure Island in San Francisco Bay. He earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of Missouri in 1951. During his college years, he was inducted into the national honorary math society Pi Mu Epsilon; ETA Kappa Nu, the international honor society of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers; Sigma Xi, a scientific research honor society; and Tau Beta Pi, the only engineering honor society representing the entire engineering profession, the oldest and most prestigious in the United States.

He had a distinguished career with Convair Aircraft, later General Dynamics, from which he retired as an engineering specialist in 1989. During his 38-year tenure, he furthered his education with graduate classes at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, Michigan State, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

He navigated his retirement in the same way he approached his career: with an exacting sense of discipline, certainty about the path he chose at any given time, and a deep curiosity and rigorous, continuous search for knowledge and adventure.

He and his wife Karen traveled to more than a dozen countries, for which he planned complex itineraries that he intended to follow. Hiking in the footsteps of Sir Edmund Hillary in the Himalayas in Nepal was one of their favorite adventures. They also traveled broadly in the

US, visiting all 50 states, Canada and Mexico in search of hiking trails, history and adventure. As his wife said, "We lived a good life."

Continuous learning was not a catch phrase for him. Over the last 10 years, he took 50 Great Courses in subjects as far-ranging as advanced physics, anatomy, astrology, science of the brain, Homer's Iliad, history of the Bible, and masterpieces at the Louvre.

Still, he had time for other interests — family backpacking trips in the beautiful Sierras, climbing Mt. Whitney, crossing the Grand Canyon, climbing Half Dome in Yosemite and Angel's Landing in Zion National Park, skiing and hiking trips to Mammoth Mountain often including nieces and nephews from afar and grandchildren, of course. As one adoring niece wrote: "Having time with (Lloyd) and you all was such an enriching and formative part of my childhood. Lots of who I am I learned from being with you, playing and adventuring in the great outdoors." The couple inspired the Pacific Crest Trail adventure of one of their grandchildren and his fiancée.

He also planned biking adventures, taught photography composition, documented family adventures, baked his favorite oatmeal cookies that tasted "healthy" to others, and beautified Base Line Road by picking up litter with the Active Claremont organization.

He deeply loved his wife, children and grandchildren, classical music, and complex puzzles. Son Doug mentioned, "He was a man of integrity, honesty, and passionate about the gaining and sharing of knowledge." He always sought the truth, revered the sciences, and the natural world. In the last several days before he died, he was watching a DVD, "The Joy of Lifelong Learning."

He was devoted to his large family, and they to him.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Howell, Jewell, Buell, Guy, Wilbur and Donald Gastineau, and sisters, Ruth,

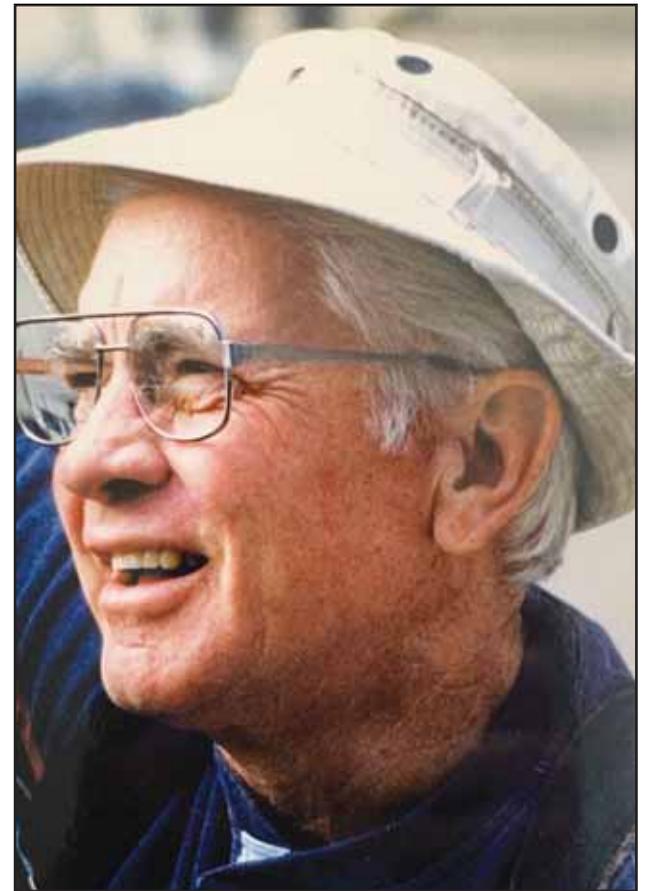
Lucille and Muriel.

He is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Karen Gastineau; adoring children, Bob (Monty Fischer) Gastineau, Doug (Susie) Gastineau, Eric (Dolores) Gastineau and Ann (Joe De La Cruz) Gastineau; beloved grandchildren, Kyle Cuadal, fiancée, Felicia Grajeda, Savannah, Delanie, George and Henry Gastineau; sister, Esther; many nieces and nephews; and sisters-in-law, Norma Williams (Jerry), Sonia Cairns (John) and Sharon Mattson.

His family is deeply appreciative of the tender care he received at the St. Daniel's Eldercare in Claremont from his guardian angels, Romeo, Natalie and Maribel, and others who watched over him day and night, and the VNA Hospice and Palliative Care, who appeared on a moment's notice with additional support.

"The Gastineaus feel blessed," the family shared.

"We began as wanderers, and we are wanderers still. We have lingered long enough on the shores of the cosmic ocean. We are ready at last to set sail for the stars." — Carl Sagan, Cosmos



Daniel R. DeChaine, Jr.

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He continued traveling worldwide long past formal retirement and enjoyed many hobbies. He loved to cook and took pleasure in serving elaborate meals to his family and friends. He loved animals and was always an advocate for local strays, and adored his recently found feral cat, Sasha.

"He was an intelligent, witty man with a great sense of humor," his daughter commented. "He will be missed by many."

Mr. DeChaine was preceded in death by his wife Myra (2012), and son Rob (2018).

He is survived by his daughter, Laura Van Dran (Daryl); granddaughters Meg LaBare (Aaron) and Kara Gionet (Jordan);

grandson Grant Van Dran; and great-grandchildren Canon and Jude. He is also survived by his brother John David (Dave) DeChaine, wife Lyn and three nieces.

A memorial service will be planned for a future date. Because of Mr. DeChaine's international "fencing family," details are still being arranged.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, his friends should visit a local brewery and drink a pint of Guinness in his honor.

Cheers! Sláinte! Salud! ваше здор'овье! Gártha! 乾杯 Dan!

County commits \$500 million to homelessness

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The final \$20 million will go to local jurisdictions to cover the unique set of circumstances and homeless service needs in that community, doubling the amount allocated last year.

“We are at the halfway mark for Measure H spending and doubling down on investing in our housing first approach, 73.4% of the budget is allocated for sustaining and increasing permanent and interim housing. Housing is the one strategy that will stop the tidal wave of people living on our streets. The Homeless Initiative’s budget demonstrates the commitment to creating housing and providing much needed services for our unhoused Angelenos,” Board of Supervisors Chair Holly J. Mitchell said.

“Measure H provides a critical lifeline of funding to our homeless services delivery system. I could not imagine where we would be without it, frankly,” Mayor Jed Leano said.

Therein lies a conundrum, because as critical as this funding source may be, Measure H has a bit of an image problem. As it reaches the halfway point of its 10 year lifespan, cities and the county have poured millions of Measure H dollars into new and ongoing programs, yet homelessness appears to be getting worse.

“The one thing that is really difficult about this problem is while tens of thousands of people are moved from homelessness into housing, there is a greater amount of people entering homelessness at the same time. So, every single year the amount that are counted as unsheltered goes up. And that is because of housing instability,” Leano said.

So what is the solution? Cities throughout the region, including Claremont, have to build more housing.

According to pre-pandemic data from the California Housing Partnership, there is a shortfall of 499,430 affordable and available rental homes in Los Angeles County. To further illustrate how many peo-

ple may be on the brink of homelessness, 78% of extremely low income households in Southern California are severely cost burdened, meaning more than half of their income goes to rent.

“It’s a factor of skyrocketing housing prices and [low] affordability. Ninety percent of low income people don’t live in subsidized, price controlled housing. They live in market rate housing. So when rents skyrocket, more people become homeless. When there is an inadequate supply of housing more people become homeless,” Leano said.

During a joint meeting with the Claremont City Council on June 9, Supervisor Kathryn Barger spoke about the Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness and said she is encouraged that its recommendations would alleviate frustration in the communities she serves over the allocation of Measure H funds.

“We’ve dedicated a lot of our time, attention, and resources to address the homelessness crisis,” Barger said in a statement released last Tuesday. “We must renew the public’s confidence in the county’s ability to serve both our communities and the people who are living on our streets. While Los Angeles County is also in the process of implementing the Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness’ recommendations, today’s vote reinforces my commitment to work alongside all 88 cities in the county to find localized solutions.”

Funding and building subsidized housing remains only part of the solution, as the region still needs hundreds of thousands of market rate units to keep up with demand, as has been illustrated by the sharp increase in the median home price, and median rental cost, over the last few years.

“There is a major miscalculation when people oppose housing. They say that what we need is affordable housing not market rate housing. The truth is that in California we have deficits of both. And when there is not enough market rate housing, prices skyrocket,” Leano said.

The first time Measure H money was allocated to

cities, Pomona, La Verne and Claremont went in together as a cohort and won the single highest award, \$1.2 million, of any city or group of cities in L.A. County. The main reason the cohort did so well was because it went into the application process with a clear plan.

“Claremont really was always at the forefront of bringing Measure H dollars home. Starting in 2019 we always received high awards and that continues,” Leano said. “Claremont was among the first and among the highest award recipients. And that is because we have a robust prevention and early intervention program run through the Joslyn Center. We have a robust housing navigator system that partners with Tri-City Mental Health, and then we have dedicated shelter beds and motel vouchers that were funded by that program.”

Measure H dollars enabled the city to hire Richard Franco as a full-time housing navigator through Tri-City Mental Health. He is “the bread and butter of our homeless delivery system,” with one person and one phone number for people to call looking for shelter resources.

“He finds beds, that is what he does. Beds or placements for people who are unhoused,” Leano said.

Before the city hired Franco, the burden of finding placements or qualifying for vouchers for the unhoused in Claremont fell on the shoulders of former human services director Ann Turner.

“We always knew that was an unsustainable model. You can’t have someone who is in charge of employees running all of your parks and senior programs also being your homeless services navigator.”

It’s yet unknown how much money the city will receive from the current Measure H funding, which is part of the county’s fiscal year 2022-23 budget.

Anyone who is currently unhoused or has a related need can contact a Tri-City community navigator at 888-436-3246, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

AgingNext welcomes new CEO

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mation, helping these older adults and their families becomes kind of like, ‘I like what I’m doing.’ And it’s gratifying for me.”

Pascua has been with AgingNext through both the highs and lows of the last two decades. She’s witnessed Community Senior Services morph into AgingNext, but has seen both nonprofits undergo numerous funding cuts, which also prompted some creative fundraising responses.

In 2016, Pascua was promoted to AgingNext’s office manager adding to her array of titles over the years. Before assuming her new role, Pascua previously served as director of operations for its transportation program, Ride and Go.

When Biggs announced her departure, Pascua was the vice president of AgingNext.

Knowing that the president/CEO position was not going to be given to her, Pascua applied like many other applicants. When news broke that she would be the third CEO of the nonprofit, Pascua said. “It was really exciting,” and noted that being with AgingNext for 22 years shouldn’t make her transition to CEO awkward.

“Instead of thinking ‘Oh I’m scared, I don’t know anything.’ I am more of ... excited because what can we do next,” she said. “What will be the next exciting opportunity for us under my leadership?”

Although Pascua believes she has big shoes to fill, departing CEO Floy Biggs knows Pascua can fill them with ease.

“I think she has the full support of the team here so I think that that’s critical. And she has full support from the board of directors,” Biggs said. “She’s been a committed team member of AgingNext for 22 years. We’ve been in a very close partnership for the past 16 years ... I think she deserved this opportunity.

Biggs knows she will bring a number of positive attributes with her to the role, and said Pascua is “very smart, very capable,” has institutional history and knowledge about AgingNext, and is “friendly, easy to get along with, and has great partnerships in the community.”

Biggs, trading the sunny California coast for the wide acres of Texas fairly soon, offered Pascua some parting words.

“Carry on with the mission,” Biggs said. “What we do here to help seniors age at home, that’s so critical

... She will be very successful and the organization will continue on for another 100 years.”

Pascua hopes to do just that. While she wants to address a few items, her and the staff’s immediate attention is on the nonprofit’s strategic plan.

“We have to carry that on. We’re going to be in our second year of that strategic plan and there’s a lot of exciting projects coming our way,” Pascua said. “That’s a great template for me to see where can we improve our programs and services.

“And the next thing is the expansion of our memory care center,” she added, which the board hopes to include in the plan.

However, Pascua’s first order of business as CEO is getting to know her colleagues more personally so she can find a style of leadership that benefits all going forward.

Pascua effectively becomes AgingNext’s third CEO on Saturday, May 28, and shared that while she’s more excited than nervous about the new title, she’s just eager to get to work.

Pascua can still be reached at abby@agingnext.org. For more information about the nonprofit, visit <https://agingnext.org>.

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Love and marriage: not just for kids anymore

by Mick Rhodes

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Next Saturday my partner of 10 years and I will be married. Again. It will be the third time each of us has taken a whack at matrimony.

Since Lisa and I are both 0-for-2, the pageantry, as you might imagine, will be toned down this time. But that lack of pomp — our sunset backyard ceremony will include a taco man, some booze, good music, and a few close friends and family — is by no means an indicator of an absence of reverence; we're both aware of the rarity of it all, and finding such a profound, life-altering love at our ages (I'm 58 and my bride-to-be is 51) is only part of it.

We came together by chemical reaction. It was, well, magic. There was no denying the intense pheromonal pull.

But, we were both married at the time. To get to a place where we could be together meant upending both of our marriages. There was a kind, rational, methodical path to get there. But we didn't take that route. I did things I am not proud of. People were hurt. We're 10 years past that now, and the scars are still there for my older kids. I'll live with that forever.

But so are we, Lisa and I. We're still here. We've weathered the multi-level chaos our relationship created initially, and let me tell you, it was a lot of chaos. Through those years of upheaval, our love for and dedication to one another never wavered. To say it was meant to be would be selling it short. It was automatic from day one. And she fascinates me, still. I've never spent a minute with



her over the past 10 years in anything other than joyful gratitude.

Now that we're physically able to combine our family of nine (!) kids, with all but four launched out into the world, we are going to be living together for the first time. Lisa's nervous about how that proximity might alter our thus far flawless dynamic. Things will be different for sure. But I'm committed to dialing back my OCD about messy kids and dishwasher loading (there IS a correct way! ... Oops, slipped there). Aside from my own neuroses, I can't see how our in-person partnership will bring anything other than more joy to our kids and us.

And about those scars: I'm hopeful this new chapter will help to heal those as well. Our house will be livelier, louder and more vibrant. I believe many of the by now ancient grievances will be eased by the joyful noise and good vibes in store.

The bottom line is we only get so much life. No-

body's giving out trophies for sucking it up and denying ourselves a more fully realized version. I walked through fire to get to this day. I made mistakes. But I know now, after 10 years of road behind me, that I did the best I could in the aftermath of blowing up my life. I'm proud of the man I am today.

To be completely honest, punishing one's self for letting people down can only go on for so long. At some point we have to forgive ourselves, make amends where possible, and endeavor to be better. Otherwise, we get stuck in a moment. And that's a slow death.

I hit the life lotto with Lisa. Her love has transformed me into a better version of me. I am going to relish the days I have with her, because every single one is a gift of uncomplicated, fully present, joyous love.

I hope by modeling a committed, supportive, loving relationship, my kids will see what that looks like, and make good choices in their own lives.

In the meantime, our wedding awaits. Our honeymoon will be spent half in the California high desert at the sweet little rental house we've been frequenting for a decade, and half on the beach in Ventura, at the modest, slightly shabby hotel that's served as our coastal getaway for about as long. We thought about a grand trip to Hawaii or elsewhere, but, like our backyard wedding, it just felt like something simple and understated was a better fit.

So here's to love. Here's to perseverance. Here's to all the older folks out there who are alone, wondering if maybe it's just not in the cards. It's not too late. Your own Lisa may still be out there.

Viewpoint: Taking back the streets of south Claremont

by Ginger Elliot, Sonja Stump, Jim Keith and Al Villanueva

On Monday, May 16, at the City of Claremont's Human Trafficking Symposium at the Hughes Center, residents showed up en masse and overwhelmingly responded to a growing cancer that must be eradicated at the South Claremont corridor of the I-10 Freeway and Indian Hill Boulevard: the out of control sex trafficking, prostitution, criminal behavior, and drug use and dealing at the Knights Inn, Motel 6 and Claremont Lodge. It has become the biggest eyesore in the City of Claremont and is threatening the tranquility and public safety of our community.

Ignoring this grave city social problem is complicity in itself. The adverse impact on downtown businesses is profound. Prostitutes have been observed by reliable witnesses frequenting Claremont streets on Friday nights. The Claremont Colleges, nationally renowned educational institutions located in the southern section of Claremont, can be adversely affected. College students can be negatively impacted by a growing crime wave that is slowly creeping into south Claremont.

Prostitution is a serious mental health issue that threatens the future welfare of children, both female and male. Children who grow up in emotionally abusive and dysfunctional homes are vulnerable to the sex trafficking trade. Most women, including minors, who are being prostituted have gone through a lot of emotional and physical trauma and abuse. The street

and organized prison gangs who recruit the vulnerable for the sex trade use these innocents for monetary gain.

Christina Jimenez, keynote speaker from Project Sister, (a nonprofit that provides healing services for abused women), noted during the symposium, that the "dollar value of sex trafficking is as much if not more than drug trafficking in the Pomona Valley."

One of the unintended consequences of the COVID pandemic during the last three years is the proliferation of mental health issues, including increased drug use and suicides, mass shootings, increased gang activity and violence, and the streets along south Indian Hill Boulevard becoming saturated with street prostitution.

A letter to the editor in the May 20, 2022 COURIER questioned who sponsored the May 16 symposium. As a point of clarification, the symposium was sponsored by the safe and healthy housing committee, a grassroots crime prevention organization founded in 2006 by concerned citizens living in south Claremont. The group, led by Claremont resident Jim Keith, has been organizing and working collaboratively with the Claremont Police Department to reduce crime in South Claremont since 2006. It has contributed to the reduction of crime by 60% during the last 15 years.

What are we as a community to do?

If the cancer is not addressed, it will only spread. We have to take back the streets of south Claremont.

The key, of course, is an orchestrated proactive

plan of action of community policing by the Pomona and Claremont police departments. The recent street detail enforcement by CPD resulted in significant arrests. Sal Medina, Claremont councilmember representing South Claremont has been on top of this issue and is collaborating with the Pomona Police Department, which can lend valuable lived experiences to the Claremont Police Department in dealing with street prostitution.

Claremont police officers want to eradicate the cancer. They want to not just arrest the pimps, but they want to prevent crime from increasing in Claremont. They swear an oath to do so when they become public guardians of the peace.

The Claremont City Council must adopt a city ordinance like that of the City of Long Beach to hold accountable the motels and businesses that foster the sociological and economic conditions of street prostitution. Property management of the rogue motels must provide deterrence and not allow crime to fester on their motel grounds.

But the most important component of community policing is the understanding that justice is restorative and not retributive. Incarceration is a dehumanizing experience. Nonprofits like Project Sister and Tri-City Mental Health must step up to the plate and provide alternatives of healing to young prostitutes, addicts, gang members and lost ones who are lost in the culture of despair with no hope.

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A LOCAL NONPROFIT NEWSROOM

by Ben Boulton

On the day that two keynote speakers at the Scripps College graduation ceremonies advocated for police and prison abolition, to enthusiastic applause, a racist with a gun massacred 10 people in Buffalo, New York, including a retired cop attempting to stop the carnage.

So, professors Mark Golub (convocation speaker) and Andrea Ritchie (commencement speaker) should we release the killer immediately so he can continue to exterminate Blacks? How can a humane society rob such a person of his freedom?

Should we send the wayward young lad to an unlocked re-education center where he would be cleansed of his genocidal urges. There must be available space somewhere on the Scripps campus. If we could just require him to watch “The Jackie Robinson Story” and “Schindler’s List” he’d certainly be cured in time to serve as Scripps’ 2023 commencement speaker — a shining example of why we don’t need prisons.

Professors, you must see from my ramblings that I’m confused. I listened intently to your speeches but you skipped right over the questions that were bursting in my brain. No police? No prisons? Well, what are you for? Vigilante justice? Anarchy? Decriminalization of murder, rape, robbery? Then what happens to the people who murder, rape, and rob?

Were you talking about some utopian future, void of human aggression, territoriality, and greed, a future when, therefore, police and prisons will be unneces-

sary? A future not divided between the haves and the have-nots. Ah, a nice dream. . . . But wake me up. . . . Wouldn’t that require abolition of the very plutocracy that sends Scripps its daughters?

If you could answer a few questions, professors, I wouldn’t be so confused:

You have a cell phone. You witness an assault and you hear a cry for help. Think quickly now. Do you call the police? What if you are crying for help? Would you mind if I call the police?

Suppose you possess a key to unlock all prison cells (where people are “caged among rats and forced to eat food festering with cockroaches,” to quote Ritchie’s hyperbole). Do you announce that tomorrow you will turn the key? What about the victims and cooperating witnesses? Would you allow them time to get a gun and go into hiding? You know, there just might be some scores to settle. Could the government operate a colossal witness protection program for all those snitches?

A question for Scripps administrators who applauded the calls for a police-less, prison-less society: Are there any reasons for maintaining your campus police force? Abolition must start at home, right? And why not remove those emergency call boxes located throughout campus — or least prohibit students from using them to report any crime that could land a person in jail?

All these questions. Here’s the big one, professors: What about the victims? Why not one word of empathy for those brothers and sisters?

Do you ever take your students to court to witness sentencings? Do they ever hear survivors sobbing for some sort of justice? Do you invite victims’ advocates into your classrooms, just to . . . ummm . . . provide a balanced education?

Is your aim education, or indoctrination? Either way, you’re cashing in on fringe ideas that can only exist on comfortable islands such as Scripps.

Why chant abolition, abolition, abolition, not reform, reform, reform? Reform is a noble cause that could attract a coalition of sensible citizens — and that could use the intelligence and energy of Scripps’ students.

And why all the hyperbole, professors? I learned in college that hyperbole is a type of logical fallacy used to distort the truth, mislead naive people, and support shaky claims.

Like Whitman’s learn’d astronomer, you professors must possess proofs and figures and charts and diagrams. And I know that you must be able to provide clear answers to the specific questions I’ve asked on this page — because they must be the same questions to which your critically thinking students demand answers relentlessly.

From 1982-1990 Boulton covered police and courts at two daily newspapers in Connecticut, including two years covering federal court exclusively. Boulton wrote in-depth articles about various aspects of the criminal justice system, including police misconduct.

OUR TOWN

ChariTea fundraiser focuses on helping local foster kids



In honor of National Foster Care Month, Claremont-based nonprofit, the Children’s Foundation of America (CFA), held a ChariTea Fundraiser on Saturday, May 21 to raise funds for scholarships, transitional living, and specific needs of local foster youth. At the event, CFA presented donations to Purposely Chosen Inc., A Greater Hope

Foundation, and McKinley Children’s Center. Additionally, Matthew Lyons, on behalf of Assemblymember Chris Holden, presented the honor of Claremont’s 2022 Woman of Distinction to Children’s Foundation of America and Trinity Youth Services CEO, Cher Ofstedahl. Claremont Lincoln University President Dr. Lynn Priddy congratulated alumna Ofstedahl with a speech commending her life’s work to help children and families create a better future and to help raise other women to their full potential. **Photo by Jacqueline Legazcue**

Art and literature at the Claremont Colleges Library

In early May, the Claremont Colleges Library, located at 800 N. Dartmouth Avenue, unveiled two new exhibits that will be showcased to the public until early to mid June. The following are details about each exhibit

and how to view them.

Arts and Voices

On May 1, the Asian Library, also known as Honnold 3, debuted “Arts and Voices: Asian American Artists” to celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage month. The display was co-curated by officials from the Asian Library and the Ella Strong Denison Library.

“The exhibit, open weekdays between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., showcases Asian American book artists’ work and their contributions to social justice, connection to their cultural heritage and more,” a description of the exhibit read.

This exhibit will be on display until June 17. Since this exhibit is part of the library’s special collections, it is also open to all members of the public by appointment regardless of card status. To schedule an appointment for this exhibit, visit

<https://claremont.libcal.com/reserve/ALExhibit>.

For more information about this exhibit, visit <https://library.claremont.edu/news/arts-and-voices-asian-american-artists-books-exhibit>.

Writing Religion

On May 2, the North Lobby, also known as Honnold 2, unveiled its spring exhibit, “Writing Religion: Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts.”

The exhibit, open weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., “showcases the splendor of the Egerton Crispin collection with its unique devotional books and manuscripts while exploring the linguistic, cultural and textual complexities of religious practices. For more information check out library.claremont.edu or call (909) 621-8150.

Building a business and family, from tragedy

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shots.”

The feedback was immediate and positive. He began branching out and selling to other Pilates and yoga studios in the area, with similar results.

Six months later, he formed an LLC, got a business license, a health permit, and Black Crow Juice Co. was officially off the ground. The juice is made in a shared kitchen in Upland, a term of his health license.

With business growing, he needed to increase his scale of production. Late last fall he made the leap and invested in a \$15,000 Good Nature juicer.

“Because I couldn’t keep up with the production,” Seward said. “There was no way that I was going to be able to have a business without that piece of equipment. I kind of got in too deep!”

A website followed. Now he’s considering upgrading to an even more efficient juicer.

Seward’s biggest customer thus far has been Rev’d

Up Coffee. He’s forever looking for ways to grow the business, but at his own pace since he’s the sole employee of Black Crow Juice Co. Pitzer College’s Grove House will be carrying his juice in the fall, and the Claremont Colleges are making him a vendor.

“Being an entrepreneur and starting your own business really is the American dream,” Seward said. “I don’t have any problem going to work for the man, who knows. And maybe I will end up having [to do that], but I have to say it is a tremendous amount of work, but it’s incredibly liberating being in charge of every aspect of what you’re doing.

“There’s really something to that.”

He still plays music, practices religiously, and gigs from time to time with Los Angeles funk stalwarts Breakestra. But his life’s focus has shifted.

“Society needs artists,” he said. “We need people that are thinking about abstract things, and pushing the envelope and coming up with new ways of thinking about stuff. That’s super important. It’s just I think

to some degree it can be a luxury.”

It’s been a journey of dark and light for Seward. He’s 44 now. His twins are seven, rising second graders at Condit Elementary. He’s become an unlikely “papa bear.” It hasn’t been easy, but, as the saying goes, nothing worth having is.

“And maybe this is a testament to how much I’ve matured, but [now] I don’t even think twice about it,” Seward said. “I’m like, ‘Dude, you just have to do what you have to do to get food on the table.’ I don’t even think twice about it now. I just go whatever I have to do to make sure my kids’ needs are met.”

I asked him what his late wife Julia would think about his newfound entrepreneurial flair.

“I think she would get a kick out of the thematic nature of how this has all unfolded,” he said. “It started in her gym, with her customers, and it’s still tied to health and wellness, which is what she was all about.”

More information is at <https://www.black-crowjuiceco.com>.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-04 AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, ENACTED PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 36934 AND 36937, AMENDING CHAPTER 8.30 OF THE CLAREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE TO COMPLY WITH DROUGHT-RELATED WATER USE RESTRICTIONS OF THE THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT AND METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA THAT TAKE EFFECT JUNE 1, 2022

WHEREAS, a number of private and public entities have a role in providing water to the City of Claremont: The Three Valleys Municipal Water District ("Three Valleys") is a wholesale water agency that provides water to thirteen member agencies (cities and water districts), including the City of Claremont; and

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California ("Metropolitan") is a public agency and regional water wholesaler comprised of twenty-six member agencies (cities and water agencies), including Three Valleys; and

Golden State Water Company ("Golden State") is a private water company that serves Claremont and many other cities and unincorporated areas primarily in Southern California; and

WHEREAS, Golden State's Claremont Customer Service Area (which includes the City of Claremont and portions of the Cities of Montclair, Pomona, and Upland) imports waters from Metropolitan via Three Valleys; and

WHEREAS, Metropolitan receives water from the California State Water Project (SWP) and the Colorado River; and

WHEREAS, the City of Claremont receives approximately forty-five percent (45%) of its purchased water from the SWP supplies; as a result, Three Valleys considers Claremont to be a SWP constrained area, and Metropolitan considers Claremont to be a SWP dependent area; and

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2021 Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency, declaring a statewide drought emergency; and

WHEREAS, California is now entering its third consecutive year of dry conditions, resulting in continuing drought in all parts of the State; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2022, California's Department of Water Resources announced a decrease in the SWP allocation from fifteen percent (15%) to five percent (5%); and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2022, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-7-22 proclaiming states of emergency across all counties of California due to extreme and expanding drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, per Governor Newsom's March 2022 Executive Order, by May 25, 2022, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) must consider adopting emergency regulations that include — at a minimum — shortage response actions for a shortage level of up to twenty percent (20%) by a date to be set by the SWRCB; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2022, the Three Valleys Board adopted Resolution 22-04-928 enacting a Water Shortage Contingency Plan Level 5 in its SWP constrained areas (which include Claremont), urging up to a fifty percent (50%) reduction in water use (the "Level 5 Order"); and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2022, the Metropolitan Board adopted an Emergency Water Conservation Program declaring that a Water Shortage Emergency exists in the SWP-dependent areas, and that the Emergency Water Conservation Program shall continue through June 30, 2023, unless the Metropolitan Board lifts the action before that date; and

WHEREAS, Three Valleys' Level 5 Order and Metropolitan's Emergency Water Conservation Program both require water providers in SWP constrained areas to implement and enforce a restriction on outdoor watering of no more than one day per week beginning June 1, 2022 (with certain exceptions); and

WHEREAS, in response to the Three Valleys' Level 5 Order and Metropolitan's Emergency Water Conservation Program, Golden State has activated Stage 2 of its Schedule 14.1 Water Shortage Contingency and Staged Mandatory Water Conservation and Rationing in its Claremont Customer Service Area calling for a twenty percent (20%) reduction in water use for Claremont; and

WHEREAS, in response to the mandates of Three Valleys, Metropolitan, and Golden State, and in accordance with Section 8.30.060 of the Claremont Municipal Code, on or about May 18, 2022, the City Manager for the City of Claremont declared a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage condition, and concurrently herewith, the City Council for the City of Claremont is considering adoption of a resolution affirming that declaration; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 8.30 of the Claremont Municipal Code does not explicitly authorize the City to impose water conservation measures limiting outdoor watering to one day per week (as required by Three Valleys' and Metropolitan's mandates); rather, declaration of a Level 1 Water Supply Shortage limits outdoor watering to three days per week (CMC § 8.30.050(B)(1)), declaration of a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage limits outdoor watering to two days per week (CMC § 8.30.060(B)(1)), and declaration of a Level 3 Water Supply Shortage prohibits outdoor watering altogether (CMC § 8.30.070(B)(1)); and

WHEREAS, an amendment to Chapter 8.30 of the Claremont Municipal Code is needed for the City of Claremont to impose the outdoor watering restrictions required by Three Valleys and Metropolitan; and

WHEREAS, because an urgency ordinance requires two readings and does not go into effect until — at the earliest — thirty days after its second reading, an urgency ordinance is necessary to meet the June 1, 2022, deadline of Three Valleys' and Metropolitan's water use restrictions, particularly in light of the fact that failure to meet this deadline could result in volumetric penalties of up to two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per acre-foot.

NOW THEREFORE, IN LIGHT OF ALL OF THE FOREGOING, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The City Council hereby finds that all the facts set forth in the recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as substantive findings of this urgency ordinance.

SECTION 2. Urgency Findings. For all of the reasons set forth in the Recitals, the adoption of this urgency ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety (as those terms are used in Government Code Section 36937(b)).

SECTION 3. Code Amendment. Section 8.30.060 of the Claremont Municipal Code is hereby amended and restated as follows:

"8.30.060 Level 2 water supply shortage. A. Upon the declaration by the City Manager of a Level 2 water supply shortage condition, the City will implement the mandatory Level 2 conservation measures identified in this section. Following the City Manager's declaration, he or she shall agendize before the City Council an item for the Council to affirm the declaration. Generally, a Level 2 water supply shortage

is warranted when a reduction in consumer demand of 11% to 30% is needed to respond to existing water conditions.

B. Additional conservation measures. In addition to the prohibited uses of water identified in Sections 8.30.040 and 8.30.050 and subject to Subsection C below, the following additional water conservation requirements apply during a declared Level 2 water supply shortage.

1. Watering days. Watering or irrigating of lawn, landscape or other vegetated area with potable water is limited to two (2) days per week on a schedule established and posted by the City of Claremont. During the months of November through March, watering or irrigating of lawn, landscape or other vegetated area with potable water is limited to no more than one day per week on a schedule established and posted by the City of Claremont. This provision does not apply to landscape irrigation zones that exclusively use very low flow drip type irrigation systems when no emitter produces more than two (2) gallons of water per hour. This provision also does not apply to watering or irrigating by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, or for very short periods of time for the express purpose of adjusting or repairing an irrigation system.

2. Obligation to fix leaks, breaks or malfunctions. All leaks, breaks, or other malfunctions in the water user's plumbing or distribution system must be repaired within forty-eight (48) hours of notification of the property owner by the City of Claremont or the local retail water agency unless other arrangements are made with either the City or local retail water agency.

3. Limits on washing vehicles. Using water to wash or clean a vehicle, including, but not limited to, any automobile, truck, van, bus, motorcycle, boat or trailer, whether motorized or not, is prohibited except by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, by high pressure/low volume wash systems, or at a commercial car washing facility that utilizes a re-circulating water system to capture or reuse water.

C. More stringent conservation measures required by a public or private water agency. Notwithstanding Subsection B above, during a declared Level 2 water supply shortage, the City Manager may, by declaration, impose more stringent water conservation requirements if necessary to comply with any drought-related mandate imposed by the State of California (including Executive Orders signed by the Governor and/or mandates of the State Water Resources Control Board), the Three Valleys Municipal Water District, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the Golden State Water Company, or any other public or private entity with jurisdiction to mandate restrictions on water usage in the City of Claremont."

SECTION 4. CEQA. The City Council finds and determines that the adoption of this urgency ordinance is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a "project" as defined in Section 15378). CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(2) excludes "[c]ontinuing administrative ... activities, such as "general policy and procedure making" from its definition of "project." Even if this item were a "project," it would be categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA Guidelines Section 15308 because responds to and implements actions taken by regulatory agencies to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment (i.e., state-mandated water conservation measures).

The City Council further determines that this urgency ordinance is in response to the Governor's declaration of a statewide emergency due to severe drought and is needed to comply with emergency water restrictions adopted by Metropolitan and Three Valleys. It is an emergency project necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency. This urgency ordinance is therefore statutorily exempt from the CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c).

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance is declared to be an urgency ordinance by authority conferred on the City Council of the City of Claremont by Government Code sections 36934 and 36937, and shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption by a four-fifths vote of the City Council.

SECTION 6. Termination Date. This ordinance shall automatically terminate and be of no further force or effect on the earlier of the following: (1) the effective date of any ordinance amending Chapter 8.30 of the Claremont Municipal Code relating to drought-related water conservation measures; or (2) the date that the City of Claremont is no longer required to limit outdoor watering to one day per week to comply with any order or restriction imposed by the State of California (including Executive Orders and/or orders of the State Water Resources Control Board), Three Valleys, Metropolitan, Golden State, or any other public or private entity with jurisdiction to impose restrictions on water usage in the City of Claremont.

SECTION 7. Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase, or portion of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remaining portions of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance and each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance irrespective of the fact that one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective. To this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 8. Certification & Posting. The mayor shall sign this ordinance and the city clerk shall attest and certify to the passage and adoption of it, and within fifteen (15) days, publish a summary in the Claremont Courier, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed, published, and circulated in the City of Claremont and shall take effect and be in force immediately upon adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 24th day of May, 2022.

Jed Leano Mayor, City of Claremont

ATTEST: Shelley Desautels City Clerk, City of Claremont

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Alisha Patterson City Attorney, City of Claremont

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) CITY OF CLAREMONT)

I, Shelley Desautels, City Clerk of the City of Claremont, County of Los Angeles, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing urgency Ordinance No. 2022-04 is the actual ordinance duly and regularly adopted by the

City Council at a regular meeting on the 24th day of May, 2024, and that the same was passed and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: CALAYCAY, LEANO, REECE, SCHROEDER, STARK

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSTENSIONS: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

Shelley Desautels City Clerk, City of Claremont

PUBLISH: May 27, 2022

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-33 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, AFFIRMING THE CITY MANAGER'S DECLARATION OF A LEVEL 2 WATER SUPPLY SHORTAGE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE DROUGHT STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the present year in California is critically dry and has been preceded by three of the driest years in California history, and drought conditions will likely continue for the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, on October 8, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-10-21 calling for a voluntary statewide 15 percent reduction in water use as compared to 2020 use; and

WHEREAS, the Claremont Customer Service Area (which includes the City of Claremont and portions of the Cities of Montclair, Pomona, and Upland) served by the Golden State Water Company ("Golden State") imports waters from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California ("Metropolitan") via the Three Valleys Municipal Water District ("Three Valleys"); and

WHEREAS, Metropolitan receives water from the California State Water Project (SWP) and the Colorado River; and

WHEREAS, the City of Claremont receives approximately forty-five percent (45%) of its purchased water from the SWP supplies; as a result, Three Valleys considers Claremont to be a SWP constrained area, and Metropolitan considers Claremont to be a SWP dependent area; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2021, Metropolitan increased calls for conservation with a \$10.5 million investment in public outreach efforts to increase public awareness of the drought and the need for conservation; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2022, the Department of Water Resources announced a decrease in SWP allocation from fifteen percent (15%) to five percent (5%); and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2022, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-7-22 proclaiming states of emergency across all counties of California due to extreme and expanding drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, per Governor Newsom's March 2022 Executive Order, by May 25, 2022, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) must consider adopting emergency regulations that include — at a minimum — shortage response actions for a shortage level of up to twenty percent (20%), by a date to be set by the SWRCB; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2022, the Three Valleys Board adopted Resolution 22-04-928 enacting a Water Shortage Contingency Plan Level 5 in its SWP constrained areas (which include Claremont) (the "Level 5 Order"); urging up to a fifty percent (50%) reduction in water use; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2022, the Metropolitan Board adopted an Emergency Water Conservation Program declaring that a Water Shortage Emergency exists in the SWP-dependent areas, and that the Emergency Water Conservation Program shall continue through June 30, 2023, unless the Metropolitan Board lifts the action before that date; and

WHEREAS, Three Valleys' Level 5 Order and Metropolitan's Emergency Water Conservation Program both require water providers in SWP constrained areas to implement and enforce a restriction on outdoor watering of no more than one day per week beginning June 1, 2022 (with certain exceptions); and

WHEREAS, in response to the Three Valleys' Level 5 Order and Metropolitan's Emergency Water Conservation Program, Golden State has activated Stage 2 of its Schedule 14.1 Water Shortage Contingency and Staged Mandatory Water Conservation and Rationing in its Claremont Customer Service Area calling for a twenty percent (20%) reduction in water use for Claremont; and

WHEREAS, under Section 8.30.060 of the Claremont Municipal Code (CMC), a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage is warranted when a reduction in consumer demand of between eleven and thirty percent (11-30%) is needed to respond to existing water conditions; and

WHEREAS, under CMC Section 8.30.060, declaration of a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage requires the City to implement specific mandatory conservation measures including: Limits watering days and watering duration

Requires the repair of irrigation leaks, breaks, or malfunctions within 48 hours of notification of the property owner;

Limits on washing vehicle except by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, by high pressure/low volume wash systems, or at a commercial car washing facility that utilizes a re-circulating water system to capture or reuse water.

WHEREAS, under the restrictions issued by Metropolitan and Three Valley's, hand watering of trees, drip irrigation systems, and properties identified in the Severe Fire Hazard Zone designated by Cal Fire shall be exempt from the one day a week watering restriction; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2022, City Manager Adam Pirrie, declared a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage pursuant to Sections 8.30.060 and 8.30.080 of the Claremont Municipal Code, with related mandatory water conservation requirements taking effect on May 31, 2022, not less than ten days after the declaration; and

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2022, the City Council of the City of Claremont held a public meeting, to consider affirming the City Manager's Declaration of a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage at which time all persons wishing to testify in connection with this Resolution were heard.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CLAREMONT CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated by this reference herein. SECTION 2. The City Council has determined that the declaration of a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage, consistent with the emergency drought orders adopted by Metropolitan and Three Valleys, is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a "project" as defined in Section 15378). CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(2) excludes "[c]ontinuing administrative ... activities, such as "general policy and procedure making" from its definition of "project." Even if this item were a "project," it would be

categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA Guidelines Section 15308 because responds to and implements actions taken by regulatory agencies to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment (i.e., state-mandated water conservation measures).

The City Council further determines that this action is in response to the Governor's declaration of a statewide emergency due to severe drought and is needed to comply with emergency water restrictions adopted by Metropolitan and Three Valleys. It is an emergency project necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency. This resolution is therefore statutorily exempt from the CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c).

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby affirms the City Manager's declaration that a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage exists and the mandatory Level 2 water conservation measures and water use restrictions identified in Sections 8.30.040, 8.30.050, and 8.30.060 of the Claremont Municipal Code shall hereby be implemented and in effect in accordance with Chapter 8.30 of the Municipal Code beginning on May 31, 2022 and extending until such time that the City Council declares that the water supply shortage has ended; and

SECTION 4. This water shortage declaration is made to protect health, safety, and welfare and to the extent that compliance with the water conservation requirements set forth in Chapter 8.30 of the Claremont Municipal Code causes a person, business, or entity to otherwise be in violation yard landscaping or property maintenance requirements set forth in Chapter 16 of the Claremont Municipal Code, the City Council hereby declares that the City should not take action to enforce the Chapter 16 requirements as it requires living turf and other water sensitive plant material until the City declares an end to the water supply shortage.

SECTION 5. The Mayor shall sign this Resolution and it shall become effective on May 31, 2022, and the City Clerk shall attest and certify to the passage and adoption thereof, and within five (5) days, shall cause the same to be published in the Claremont Courier, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed, published, and circulated in the City of Claremont.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 24th day of May, 2022.

Jed Leano Mayor, City of Claremont

ATTEST: Shelley Desautels City Clerk, City of Claremont

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Alisha Patterson City Attorney, City of Claremont

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) CITY OF CLAREMONT)

I, Shelley Desautels, City Clerk of the City of Claremont, County of Los Angeles, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2022-33 was regularly adopted by the City Council of said City of Claremont at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 24th day of May, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: CALAYCAY, LEANO, MEDINA, REECE, STARK

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSTENTIONS: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

Shelley Desautels City Clerk, City of Claremont

PUBLISH: May 27, 2022

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCED AT THE REGULAR CLAREMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF May 24, 2022 (Full text of this ordinance is on file in the office of the City Clerk and in the document archives on the City website: www.clclaremont.ca.us)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 8.30.050, 8.30.060, AND 8.30.070 OF CLAREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 8.30 TO COMPLY WITH DROUGHT-RELATED WATER USE RESTRICTIONS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND WATER AGENCIES

In response to the water conservation orders of Three Valleys, Metropolitan, and Golden State, on May 18, 2022, the City Manager declared a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage condition pursuant to Claremont Municipal Code Section 18.30.060. Activating the Level 2 Water Supply Shortage allows the City to act as the enforcement body for Golden State's water restrictions. Currently, Chapter 8.30 of the Claremont Municipal Code does not explicitly authorize the City to impose water conservation measures limiting outdoor watering to no more than one day per week (as required by Three Valleys' Level 5 Order). As a result, a code amendment is needed to comply with Three Valleys' Level 5 Order and any future orders from water agencies that call for water use restrictions that are not set forth in Chapter 8.30.

PUBLISH: May 27, 2022

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC Sec. 6105)

Escrow No. 142377 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the seller(s) are: SUK CHA PAK AND DONG J PAK, 520 E. MISSION BLVD, POMONA, CA 91766

Who's chief executive office is: 2664 AMHERST ST, LA VERNE, CA 91750 Doing Business as: WIENERSCHNITZEL #46 (Type - FRANCHISE FAST FOOD RESTAURANT)

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s) within the past three years, as stated by the seller(s), is/are: SUNOUK ALLOCATI

The name(s) and address of the buyer(s) is/are: WIENERS BUCKS INC, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 2046 MESQUITE LANE, COLTON, CA 92324

The assets to be sold are described in general as: ALL STOCK IN TRADE, FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND GOODWILL and are located at: 520 E. MISSION BLVD, POMONA, CA 91766

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: CAPITOL CITY ESCROW, INC., 3838 WATT AVENUE, SUITE F-610 SACRAMENTO, CA 95821-2665 and the anticipated sale date is JUNE 16, 2022

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. [If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided.] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: CAPITOL CITY ESCROW, INC., 3838 WATT AVENUE, SUITE F-610 SACRAMENTO, CA 95821-2665 and the last date for filing claims by any creditor shall be JUNE 15, 2022, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

Dated: MAY 18, 2022 WIENERS BUCKS INC, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, Buyer(s) 972047-PP CLAREMONT COURIER 5/27/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 202210350

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) WINGSTOP 426 756 E. Arrow Highway, Pomona, CA 91767, Los Angeles County. Mailing Address: PO Box 70422 Riverside, CA 92513 Registrant(s): Fresh Up, Inc. 9587 Arrow Rte Bldg 2, Ste A Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730 This business is conducted by a Corporation CA# 3489844.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 04/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

/s/ Lary Yanez. Title: CEO This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/20/22. NOTICE - In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). PUBLISH: May 27 and June 3, 10 and 17, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022106844

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) YUZE AIR CONDITIONING 1632 Kiowa Crest Dr, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Yuze Liu, 1632 Kiowa Crest Dr, Diamond Bar, CA 91765 This business is conducted by an Individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 02/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

/s/ Yuze Liu. Title: Owner This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/16/22. NOTICE - In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). PUBLISH: May 27 and June 3, 10 and 17, 2022

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CITY OF CLAREMONT'S PROPOSED NEW USER FEES PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on June 14, 2022 at 7 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard before the Claremont City Council (City) to receive comment or protests regarding the proposed fee additions to the City user fees including, but not limited to Human Services recreation fees and Community Services cemetery fees to cover the cost of providing City services to the community. City Clerk City of Claremont Publish: May 27, 2022 Publish: June 3, 2022 If you have any questions, please call Finance at (909) 399-5343. ATTACHMENT A CITY OF CLAREMONT SCHEDULE OF FEE ADDITIONS Description Proposed Fee Human Services Park Special Event Application Fee \$ 100.00 Cemetery Family Plots - Four Capacity (two double depth plots) \$ 19,000.00 Family Plots - Six Capacity (three double depth plots) \$ 28,000.00 Family Plots - Eight Capacity (four double depth plots) \$ 37,000.00 Upright Monuments \$ 800.00 Niche Wall Space - Granite Columbarium \$ 3,800.00

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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF
TREASURER AND TAX
COLLECTOR**

**NOTICE OF DIVIDED
PUBLICATION**

Made pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code
Section 3381

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Sections 3381 through 3385, the Notice of Power to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, has been divided and distributed to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

**NOTICE OF IMPENDING POWER TO
SELL TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY**
Made pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code
Section 3361

Notice is hereby given that the following parcels listed will become Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell on Friday, July 1, 2022, at 12:01 a.m. Pacific Time, by operation of law. The real property taxes and assessments on the parcels listed will have been defaulted five or more years, except for:

1. Nonresidential commercial parcels, as defined in R&TC Section 3691, which will have been defaulted for three or more years;
2. Parcels on which a nuisance abatement lien has been recorded, which will have been defaulted for three or more years;
3. Parcels that can serve the public benefit and a request has been made by the County of Los Angeles, a city within the County of Los Angeles, or nonprofit organization to purchase the parcels through Chapter 8 Agreement Sales pursuant to R&TC Section 3692.4, which will have been defaulted for three or more years.

The Tax Collector will record a Notice of Power to Sell under the property taxes are paid in full or the property owner initiates an installment plan of redemption, as provided by law, prior to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, on Thursday, June 30, 2022, when the right to initiate an installment plan terminates. Thereafter, the only option to prevent the sale of the property at public auction is to pay the taxes in full.

The right of redemption survives the property becoming Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell, but it terminates at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, on the last business day before the scheduled auction of the property by the Tax Collector.

The Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office will furnish, upon request, information concerning making a payment in full or initiating an installment plan of redemption. Requests must be made at 225 North Hill Street, First Floor Lobby, Los Angeles, California 90012. For more information, please visit our website at tcc.lacounty.gov or contact us at (213) 974-2111.

The amount to redeem the property, in United States dollars and cents, is set forth in the listing opposite each parcel number. This amount includes all defaulted taxes, penalties, and fees that have accrued from the date of default to the date of Thursday, June 30, 2022.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct. Dated this 25th day of April, 2022.

KEITH KNOX
TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**PARCEL NUMBERING SYSTEM
EXPLANATION**

The Assessor's Identification Number, when used to describe property in this list, refers to the Assessor's map book, the map page, the block on the map, if applicable, and the individual parcel on the map page or in the block. The Assessor's maps and further explanation of the parcel numbering system are available in the Assessor's Office, 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles, California 90012.

The real property that is the subject of this notice is situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is described as follows:

**PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR 2019
FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT, AND OTHER
CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019**
2939 \$6,874.66 SANDBLOSSOM LLC C/O C/AL-
FONCINA SANDOVAL COOK SITES:1978 N IN-
DIAN HILL BLVD CLAREMONT CA 91711-2765
AIN: 8306-001-046

3062 \$846.87 MILLER, DENNIS F SITES:5505
PALMER CANYON RD CLAREMONT CA 91711-
1490 AIN: 8673-003-023

3063 \$2,019.01 CALIRI, JOHN S AND ELVIRA A
SITES:5324 PALMER CANYON RD CLAREMONT
CA 91711-1485 AIN: 8673-004-009

3064 \$519.52 WILSON, ALMA Y AIN: 8673-007-
010

3065 \$315.83 ALMADA, LOURDES AIN: 8675-018-
003

3066 \$854.25 WALKER, LISA AIN: 8675-018-009

3067 \$2,283.06 FARAG, AMIR AIN: 8678-030-012

**PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR 2017
FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT, AND OTHER
CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017**
2937 \$22,324.34 LUGO, SERGIO P SITES:1326 W
BASELINE RD CLAREMONT CA 91711-2153 AIN:
8302-015-036

2940 \$491.658.01
PROTOTYPES POMONA APARTMENTS LP
SITES:837 E ARROW HWY POMONA CA 91767-
2587 AIN: 8313-002-039

2941 \$21,432.50 WU, CHING NAN AND HSU
WEN Y SITES:230 E ANNAPOLIS DR CLARE-
MONT CA 91711-5327 AIN: 8315-023-013

2980 \$9,414.53 RIVAS, CLEMENTE AND JUSTINA
B AND SITES:1728 2ND ST LA VERNE CA 91750-
5313 AIN: 8381-032-008

3061 \$12,135.42 CHU, NANCY CO TR CHOK CHU
TRUST SITES:249 INDEPENDENCE DR CLARE-
MONT CA 91711-1872 AIN: 8671-016-040

**PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR 2015
FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT, AND OTHER
CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015**
2938 \$20,198.74 OMEGA INVESTMENT GROUP
C/O TESFAI GOITOM AIN: 8305-013-032
CN986668 515 May 20, 2022

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 2022098710**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **JOHANSEN GARDENING AND TREE SERVICE** 2530 Magnolia Avenue, La Verne, CA 91750, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Chun Cai, 2530 Magnolia Avenue, La Verne, CA 91750. This business is conducted by an individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 04/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

/s/ Chun Cai. Title: Owner
This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/04/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form.

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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
ESTHER R. HOPKINS
CASE NO. 22STPB03446**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of ESTHER R. HOPKINS. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JUDITH A. HOPKINS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JUDITH A. HOPKINS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. THE WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 07/05/22 at 8:30AM in Dept. 5 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Atorney for Petitioner
JAMES M. KOSAREFF, ESQ. - SBN 174529, CO-
PENBARGER & CO-PENBARGER
200 SANDPOINTE AVE., #150
SANTA ANA CA 92707
BSC 221568
5/13, 5/20, 5/27/22
CNS-3581351#

TSG No.: 8605714 TS No.: CA1500271942 APN: 8322-017-020 Property Address: 1408 BALDY VIEW AVE POMONA, CA 91767 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 09/17/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 06/09/2022 at 10:00 A.M., First American Title Insurance Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 09/27/2007, as Instrument No. 20072227824, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of California. Executed by: CESAR BARAJAS, MARRIED TO ADRIANA BARAJAS, MARRIED AS HUSBAND & WIFE, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924(h), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 8322-017-020 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1408 BALDY VIEW AVE, POMONA, CA 91767 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total

amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$ 292,346.85. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (916)939-0772 or visit this internet website <http://searchnationwideposting.com/propertySearchTerms.aspx>, using the file number assigned to this case CA1500271942. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction if conducted after January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916)939-0772, or visit this internet website <http://searchnationwideposting.com/propertySearchTerms.aspx>, using the file number assigned to this case CA1500271942 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: First American Title Insurance Company 4795 Regent Blvd, Mail Code 1011-F Irving, TX 75063 First American Title Insurance Company MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (916)939-0772NPP0401995 To: CLAREMONT COURIER 05/20/2022, 05/27/2022, 06/03/2022

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)**
Escrow No. 564071-DM

(1) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.
(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: BOBATOPIA INC., 1131 S. BREA CANYON ROAD, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765
(3) The location in California of the Chief Executive Office of the seller is: SAME
(4) The names and business address of the buyer(s) are: PARKER HINGO HOLDINGS, A CALIFORNIA GENERAL PARTNERHIP, 1131 S. BREA CANYON ROAD, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADE NAME, GOODWILL, LEASEHOLD INTEREST & IMPROVEMENT AND COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE of that certain business located at: 1131 S. BREA CANYON ROAD, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765
(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: GINKO KATSU
(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is JUNE 15, 2022, at the office of GOOD NEWS ESCROW, INC. 17700 CASTLETON ST, STE 588, CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA 91748 Escrow No. 564071-DM, Escrow Officer: DIANA MYUNG
(8) Claims may be filed the same as "7" above.
(9) The last date for filing claims is: JUNE 14, 2022
(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code
(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business name(s) and addresses used by the Seller within three years before such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE Dated: APRIL 1, 2022 TRANSFEREES: PARKER HINGO HOLDINGS, A CALIFORNIA GENERAL PARTNERHIP 970218-PP CLAREMONT COURIER 5/27/21

T.S. No.: 2019-00708-CA A.P.N.: 5539-019-006 Property Address: 711 North Hoover Street, Los Angeles, CA 90029

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A LAWYER. Trustor: Manuel Lugo and Mayra Lugo,
husband and wife as Joint Tenants Duly Appointed
Trustee: Western Progressive, LLC Deed of Trust
Recorded 05/31/2006 as Instrument No. 06 1185694
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SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND
AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE:
All right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by
the trustee in the hereinafter described property under
and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described as: More fully
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 2022108355**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **STAY & PLAY** 529 South Glendora Ave, Suite A, Glendora, CA 91741, Los Angeles County. Mailing Address: 6411 Wheeler Ave. La Verne, CA 91750. Registrant(s): Ashi Brothers, Inc. 6411 Wheeler Ave. La Verne, CA 91750. This business is conducted by a Corporation. #C4819629

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.

/s/ Behara Ashi Title: CEO
This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/18/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). PUBLISH: May 20, 27 and June 3 and 10, 2022

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 2022093734**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **JUICE IT UP! CLAREMONT** 448 Auto Center Drive, Claremont CA 91711, Los Angeles County. Mailing Address: 5014 Cellini Drive, Chino Hills, CA 91709. Registrant(s): Savory Drinks Corporation 5014 Cellini Drive, Chino Hills, CA 91709. This business is conducted by a Corporation. #CA-4631891

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 04/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
/s/ William Yu Title: CEO
This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/28/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a)

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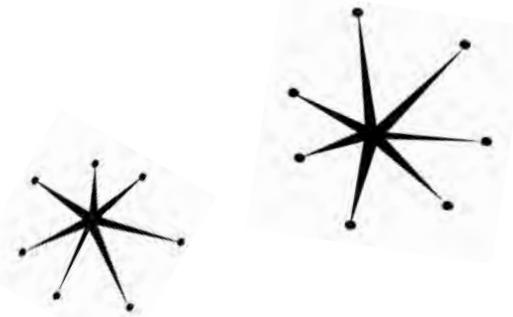
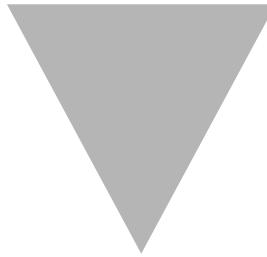
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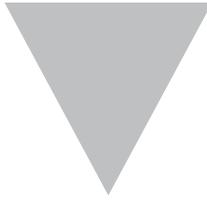
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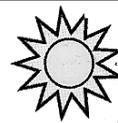
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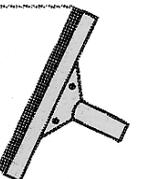
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 CASE NUMBER: 22PSCP00208
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
 Petitioners: GILBERT EMANUEL GAETA-SYMONDS
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 T.S. No.: 2019-02325-CA A.P.N.: 5003-004-024 Property Address: 1638 WEST 51ST STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90062

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a) and (d), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02/06/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY

BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Trustor: ISABEL BONILLA, A Married Woman as her sole and separate Property Duly Appointed Trustee: Western Progressive, LLC Deed of Trust Recorded 02/16/2006 as Instrument No. 06 0357368 in book —, page— and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 06/30/2022 at 09:00 AM Place of Sale: VINEYARD BALLROOM, DOUBLETREE HOTEL LOS ANGELES-NORWALK, 13111 SYCAMORE DRIVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$ 353,689.41 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE THE TRUSTEE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, A SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE:** All right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described as: More fully described in said Deed of Trust. Street Address or other common designation of real property: 1638 WEST 51ST STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90062 A.P.N.: 5003-004-024 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the

initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$ 353,689.41. **Note:** Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt. **If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse.** The beneficiary of the Deed of Trust has executed and delivered to the undersigned a written request to commence foreclosure, and the undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on this property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (866)-960-8299 or visit this Internet Web site https://www.altisource.com/oginpage.aspx_using the file number as-

signed to this case 2019-02325-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction, if conducted after January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855)-976-3916, or visit this internet website https://tracker.auction.com/sb1079, using the file number assigned to this case 2019-02325-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: May 11, 2022 Western Progressive, LLC, as Trustee for beneficiary C/o 1500 Palma Drive, Suite 238 Ventura, CA 93003 Sale Information Line: (866) 960-8299 https://www.altisource.com/lo ginpage.aspx
Trustee Sale Assistant
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