

Housing market begins to slow

LOS ANGELES – The California housing market posted its largest year-over-year sales decline since March 2014 and remained below the 400,000-level sales benchmark for the second consecutive month in September, indicating that the market is slowing as many potential buyers put their homeownership plans on hold, the California Association of Realtors said Monday.

Closed escrow sales of existing, single-family detached homes in California totaled a seasonally adjusted annualized rate of 382,550 units in September, according to information collected by C.A.R. from more than 90 local Realtor associations and Multiple Listing Services (MLS) statewide.

The statewide annualized sales figure represents what would be the total number of homes sold during 2018 if sales maintained the September pace throughout the year. It is adjusted to account for seasonal factors that typically influence home sales.

September’s sales figure was down 4.3 percent from the revised 399,600 level in August and down 12.4 percent compared with home sales in September 2017 of 436,920.

“The housing market continued to deteriorate and the decline in sales worsened as interest rates remained on an upward trend. More would-be buyers are self-sidelineing as they believe home prices will start to come down soon, making housing more affordable despite rising interest rates,” said C.A.R. President Steve White. “Tax reform, which increases the cost of homeownership, also is contributing to the decline, especially in high-cost areas such as the San Francisco Bay Area and Orange County.”

The statewide median home price dropped to \$578,850 in September. The September statewide median price was down 2.9 percent from \$596,410 in August but up 4.2 percent from a revised \$555,400 in September 2017.

“Price appreciations have slowed in the last few months and inventory has risen considerably since June when the statewide median price hit a new peak,” said C.A.R. Senior Vice President and Chief Economist Leslie Appleton-Young. “Buyers are becoming increasingly concerned about market developments and are reluctant to purchase at the prevailing market price. As such, the deceleration in price growth will likely continue in coming months.”

Other key points from C.A.R.’s September 2018 resale housing report include:

On a regionwide, non-seasonally adjusted basis, the Southern California region led the state’s sales decline, falling 17.3 percent from a year ago. Los Angeles County experienced the largest drop in the region at 22 percent, while Orange County declined 21.8 percent. Sales in the Inland Empire were down 10.8 percent from a year ago, with Riverside and San Bernardino counties recording an annual sales decline of 9.7 percent and 12.4 percent, respectively.

Sales in the Bay Area declined 16.4 percent from September 2017, the largest decline since October 2010. Santa Clara posted the largest drop at 22.6 percent, while Marin experienced the lowest decline at 1.1 percent. Alameda (–10.4 percent), Contra Costa (–17.3 percent), Napa (–14.2 percent), San Francisco (–11.5 percent), San Mateo (–14.6 percent), Solano (–19.3 percent), and Sonoma (–19.4 percent) counties all posted double-digit declines.

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Chick-fil-A hiring 120 for Norwalk restaurant

►Slate for a late November opening, the new Norwalk Chick-fil-A is looking to fill positions immediately.

NORWALK – Chick-fil-A has named Farid Khansarinia franchise owner of the chain’s Norwalk restaurant as the eatery prepares to hire up to 120 new team members in preparation for the projected grand opening in late November.

When Norwalk’s stand-alone Chick-fil-A opens at 12555 Imperial Hwy., it will be the realization of a dream for long-time California resident Khansarinia who began looking for an entrepreneurial opportunity after more than 30 years in retail.

An ITT graduate, Khansarinia started in the trenches of retail and rose to be vice president of national retail sales for a major multinational consumer electronics brand.

Khansarinia, his wife Suki, and their five children already were Chick-fil-A fans when a friend suggested the franchise opportunity might line up with his desire to use the skills gained during his retail career to grow his own business and mentor young people. He connected with a local Chick-fil-A franchise owner and realized the role

fit his entrepreneurial goal of owning a business where he could have a positive impact on his employees, customers and community.

He and his family are thrilled to bring Chick-fil-A to Norwalk and continue to serve the community that has been home to Khansarinia for more than 40 years.

Norwalk’s more than 4,500-square-foot Chick-fil-A restaurant will include an indoor children’s play area, dining room seating for 120 and patio seating for 12. The drive-thru features two ordering lanes merging into a single lane for pickup, enhancing the chain’s award winning drive-thru service.

The restaurant will be open Monday through Saturday from 6 a.m. until 10 p.m., offering a full breakfast menu until 10:30 a.m.

Khansariniahas has begun hiring as many as 120 team members as he builds his Norwalk staff. He is filling full-time and part-time positions in all areas of the restaurant, including leadership development, hospitality, catering, training and marketing.

Each position will include benefits such as scholarships for continuing education. In addition, Chick-fil-A restaurant team members appreciate having Sundays off, flexible schedules,

and the family atmosphere fostered at the restaurant.

Named one of the “best places to work” by Glassdoor, Chick-fil-A is known for hiring and retaining talent and offering a supportive workplace with opportunities for leadership development, respect for work-life balance and competitive wages.

Chick-fil-A Team Members are eligible for the chain’s initiative, Remarkable Futures, which provides \$14.5 million in annual scholarships. Ranging from \$2,500 to \$25,000, the scholarships are based on leadership, community involvement and academic achievement.

Chick-fil-A, which employs more than 75,000 people through corporate positions and franchised locations, has provided almost \$60.5 million to help pay for college since a formal scholarship program was initiated 45 years ago in 1973.

Interested applicants can learn more by visiting nowhiring.com/Norwalk or texting Norwalk to 242424.

Follow the Imperial and Bloomfield Chick-fil-A restaurant at www.facebook.com/cfanorwalkca for updates on grand opening events.

Norwalk restaurant grades

Jack in the Box
12603 S Norwalk Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/23/18
Grade: **A**

Yoshinoya Beef Bowl
12555 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/22/18
Grade: **A**

McDonalds
12602 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/22/18
Grade: **A**

Buy Low Market
10951 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 10/19/18
Grade: **A**

IHOP
12623 Norwalk Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/17/18
Grade: **A**

Elbow Room
11110 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/17/18
Grade: **A**

Noemi’s Mexican Restaurant
14350 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/16/18
Grade: **A**

Angie’s Deli
14346 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/16/18
Grade: **A**

Church’s Chicken
15816 S Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/15/18
Grade: **A**

Tasty Goody Restaurant
15912 S Pioneer Blvd
Date Inspected: 10/15/18
Grade: **A**

Rite Aid
12319 S Norwalk Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/12/18
Grade: **A**

Mexicana Markets
13208 San Antonio Dr.
Date Inspected: 10/12/18
Grade: **B**

Tams Super Burgers
11700 E Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 10/11/18
Grade: **A**

Stater Bros. Bakery
11300 E Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/11/18
Grade: **A**

Stater Bros. Meat
11300 E Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/11/18
Grade: **A**

Stater Bros Market
11300 E Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/11/18
Grade: **A**

Taco Kings
11740 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/11/18
Grade: **A**

KFC
10937 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/11/18
Grade: **A**

Top Donuts
10939 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/11/18
Grade: **A**

Godwin’s Coffee / Snack Shop
12417 Norwalk Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/10/18
Grade: **A**

Mexicana Markets
13208 San Antonio Dr
Date Inspected: 10/10/18
Grade: **A**

Western Refining Retail
11821 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 10/10/18
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 87° 

Saturday 83° 

Sunday 82° 



Día de los Muertos

Sunday - Downey Civic Center, 11 am to 8 pm

Ballet folklorico, live music, altar displays, face painting, Aztec dancers, food trucks, and more.



Cemetery Tour

Saturday - Sunnyside Cemetery in Long Beach, 9 am

A family event featuring graveside storytelling by costumed actors portraying the people buried in the cemetery. \$25



Halloween Spooktacular

Saturday - Smith Park in Pico Rivera, 5-8 pm

Carnival games, arts and crafts, costume contests, and a trick-or-treat village. Free admission, small fee for games and food.



Surf City Blitz

All Weekend - Huntington State Beach

Weekend music festival with performances by The Offspring, Pennywise, Social Distortion, Rancid, and others. \$60



Tierra

Saturday - St. Paul of the Cross School in La Mirada, 9 pm

Latin R&B band Tierra performs live at the school's annual carnival. Plus games, food, rides and a beer garden.



Compost Giveaway

Saturday - City Hall, 8 am to noon

Bring your own shovel and container (no larger than 32 gallons).

INSPIRATION

she doesn't want love in shades of grey. She prefers it black and white. Either you love her completely or not at all.

F.E. Marie

Downey, South Gate clash over homeless facility

►Downey officials say a proposed facility on the South Gate border would be used as a transitional shelter and social services center for recently-discharged U.S. veterans.

County officials contend the development would provide 60-80 permanent apartment units for homeless veterans.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – A big question hangs over a project that may very well likely erect itself in the current American Legion 723 Hollydale location: is it just another homeless shelter?

The property, located at 11269 Garfield Ave., lies within Downey city limits and is owned by Los Angeles County.

Downey officials are eyeing the location as an opportunity to establish a temporary housing development to help honorably-discharged military veterans who find themselves in need after the conclusion of their service.

However, LA County officials have said otherwise, instead saying that the project is intended for long-term residency.

The project garnered significant negative attention from South Gate residents near the potential project, who have voiced concerns about a homeless shelter. They fear its establishment would bring significant safety issues to their neighborhoods while not affecting Downey’s residents.

However, Mayor Pro Tem Rick Rodriguez has pushed back on these claims, describing the project as a “veterans transitional housing location.” He acknowledged that homeless veterans could be housed at the development, but insisted the proposed project is “not specifically for homeless, it’s for veterans.”



Preliminary plans call for a veterans facility at the American Legion’s Hollydale Post No. 723, but it’s not clear whether the development will provide temporary shelter or long-term housing.

Photo by Alex Dominguez

Instead, Rodriguez says that veterans who would arrive at the complex could receive therapy, job training and other services, and would be limited to a stay of between nine and 12 months.

“Our goal is to relaunch them into civilian life with proper training,” said Rodriguez. “We give them a rifle at 18 and we train them to defend America and go around the world...We can train them to be a soldier, but we can’t take care of them when they get back? That doesn’t make sense to me.”

Without a strong support system, returning veterans run the risk of facing other problems, such as having nowhere to go, no job, and no way to transfer their acquired skills, Rodriguez added.

The project is that of LA County and Supervisor Janice Hahn. Officials with Hahn’s office said she is committed to working closely with the city of Downey, although details of the project seem to have been lost in translation between parties.

In an email to the Downey Patriot, Hahn’s

communications director, Liz Odendahl, said the supervisor would like to build 60 to 80 affordable, long-term housing apartments for formerly homeless veterans, where they could potentially live “indefinitely.”

“In this country we pride ourselves on honoring our veterans with a national holiday, by saluting them at sporting events, and allowing them to board planes early—and yet we allow thousands of veterans to sleep on our sidewalks every night,” said Hahn. “There is no greater way to honor a veteran who has risked their life for our freedoms than ensuring they have a safe place to live when they return home.

“I have seen how successful these types of projects have been in other areas of the county. When it is finally built, it will not only improve public safety, it will be a beautiful addition to this neighborhood.”

The project is still in the planning stages with no concrete timeline, however, the county hopes to have more plans fleshed out within the coming months, officials said.

NORWALK HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, OCT. 26

Halloween Bash, 3:30 pm. Norwalk parks celebrate Halloween with costume contests, games, candy, and activities. Sign up at your local park.

SATURDAY, OCT. 27

Compost and Mulch Giveaway, 8 am. Bring your own shovel, container and elbow grease. Free for Norwalk residents. City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Kids Fun Zone, 12 pm. Free craft activities, face painting, games, and gifts for kids celebrating a birthday in October. Norwalk Town Square, 11633 The Plz.

TUESDAY, OCT. 30

Coffee (or Cocoa) with a Cop, 5:30 pm. Meet your local sheriff's deputies and public safety personnel. Bring the kids to decorate a pumpkin alongside the officers. Hollfield Park, 12500 Excelsior Dr.

School Board Candidates Meet and Greet, 6 pm. Meet the candidates for Little Lake City and Norwalk-La Mirada Unified school board. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Time & Space, 6 pm. Opening reception of "Time & Space," featuring artwork created by Cerritos College's summer printmaking residency. Cerritos College Art Gallery, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31

Creating Connections Luncheon, 11:45 am. Connect with other members of the local business community. No cost to attend, lunch on your own. Hibachi Grill Buffet, 14021 Pioneer Blvd.

Magic Show for Children, 4 pm. An interactive magic show for ages 3 and up. Costumes encouraged! Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

Halloween Festival, 6 pm. Music,

dancing, scarecrow contest, crafts, raffles, and lots of candy. A safe alternative to trick-or-treating. City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

FRIDAY, NOV. 2

Smarty Pants Storytime, 10:30 am. Books, songs, rhymes, and movement for ages 2-5. Call to register. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

Open Mic, 7 pm. Singers, dancers, poets, comedians and musicians are invited to share their talents. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, NOV. 3

Used Oil Filter Exchange, 9 am to 1 pm. Bring in your used oil filter and receive a brand new one for free. Norwalk residents receive complimentary motor oil change kits while supplies last. AutoZone, 13927 Pioneer Blvd.

Museum Tour, 1 pm. Take a docent-led tour of the historic Hargitt House, built in 1891 and listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. D.D. Johnston-Hargitt House Museum, 12426 Mapledale St.

Daddy Daughter Dance., 5:30 pm. Themed "A Night in Paris," the dance includes a light dinner, crafts, games, activities and dancing. \$20 per couple, \$7 each additional child. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

TUESDAY, NOV. 6

Bully Prevention Workshop, 6-8 pm. Learn about bullying and tools to prevent it. For parents and youth ages 5-17. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 7

Fashion Sketching for Teens, 4-5 pm. A crash course in fashion sketching for ages 13-18. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

Measure H Funding Session, 5 pm. Share your thoughts on how

proceeds from Measure H - L.A. County's homeless initiative - should be spent. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

THURSDAY, NOV. 8

"I Am Frida Kahlo,", 8 pm. Mexican actress Alejandra Flores will bring Frida Kahlo to life through a series of monologues charged with social and political subtexts. Burnight Theatre, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

FRIDAY, NOV. 9

Smarty Pants Storytime, 10:30 am. Books, songs, rhymes, and movement for ages 2-5. Call to register. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

Community Silent Auction, 5:30 pm. Auction items include Lakers tickets, sports memorabilia, jewelry, clothing, artwork, electronics, and more. Proceeds benefit American Cancer Society. \$5 admission includes dinner. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

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SATURDAY, NOV. 10

Footgolf Tournament, 3 pm (ages 8-17) and 5 pm (adults) . Have you ever tried footgolf? It's a new sport that combines soccer and golf. The goal is to kick a regulation size soccer ball into 21-inch diameter cups in as few kicks as possible. Don Knabe Golf Center, 13717 Shoemaker Ave.

Adaptive Recreation Art Exhibit, 5 pm . HEART participants celebrate the opening of their new art exhibit. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

MONDAY, NOV. 12

Veterans Day Ceremony, 11 am. A tribute to the brave men and

women who served our country. City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

TUESDAY, NOV. 13

How to Avoid Weight Gain, 10 am. Health professionals offer tips on how to avoid gaining weight during the upcoming holidays. Coast Plaza Hospital, 13100 Studebaker Rd.

Classic Book Club Discussion, 6:30 pm. Read Zane Grey's "Riders of the Purple Sage." Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 14

Contractor License Workshop, 1 pm. Learn the requirements to obtain a state contractors license. Spanish workshop to follow at 2:30 p.m. 12501 Imperial Hwy., suite 600

THURSDAY, NOV. 15

UC Application Workshop, 5 pm. Receive help filling out your UC admissions application for 2019. Cerritos College Transfer Center, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

Midnight Ride, 6 pm . Top 40 cover band Midnight Ride performs live. Norwalk Senior Center, 14040 San Antonio Dr.

FRIDAY, NOV. 16

Smarty Pants Storytime, 10:30 am . Books, songs, rhymes, and movement for ages 2-5. Call to register. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

Plants in a Glass, 7 pm . Create your own succulent terrarium, with step-by-step instruction. \$25, first-come, first-served. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, NOV. 17

Pokemon Premiere Challenge, 12 pm. A Pokemon video game competition, with prizes for each age division. \$5 buy-in. Unrated Gaming, 15617 Studebaker Rd., Suite 3.

Norwalk church, restaurant collecting shoebox gifts for Christmas

NORWALK – For the third consecutive year, Faith Church in Norwalk has been designated a local collection center for shoebox gifts donated to Operation Christmas Child, a ministry operated by Samaritan's Purse.

Samaritan's Purse is a nondenominational Christian organization that delivers shoebox gifts to millions of children around the world.

For over 40 years, this international organization has helped meet the needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters (including hurricane victims in the US), disease and a famine.

Last year, Operation Christmas Child delivered over 11 million shoeboxes to children in over 100 countries via truck, train, plane, sea freighter, and even camels.

Community churches, schools, business offices and other organizations and

Museum Tour, 1 pm. Take a docent-led tour of the historic Hargitt House, built in 1891 and listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. D.D. Johnston-Hargitt House Museum, 12426 Mapledale St.

SATURDAY, NOV. 24

Santa Vists Norwalk, 12 pm. Santa Claus arrives in Norwalk via helicopter. Plus carnival games, snow play area, pony rides, crafts, and more. Norwalk Town Square, 11633 The Plz.

SATURDAY, DEC. 1

Quartermania Fundraiser, 10:30 am. Quartermania is a cross between an auction and a raffle, where people "bid" to win a prize. Bids are 1-4 quarters. Southeast Academy, 12940 Foster Rd.

Sapphire Dreams, 11:30 am. The annual philanthropic extravaganza by Soroptimist International of Norwalk and Santa Fe Springs. DoubleTree Hotel, 13111 Sycamore Dr.

SnowFest., 12-8 pm. The city hall lawn is transformed into Snow Fest, Calif., with snow slides, a snow play area, train rides, game booths, craft tents, face painting, and live performances. The event is capped with the lighting of a 30-ft. Christmas tree. City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

International Food Festival, 6 pm. Taste food from different parts of the world. Plus jumpers, basketball and a photo booth. Adonai SDA Church, 13246 Mapledale St.

TUESDAY, DEC. 4

Children's Holiday Show, 4 pm. Flights of Fantasy Story Theatre presents the holiday show, 'Tis the Season to be Jolly,' an interactive show for all ages. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

SUNDAY, DEC. 9

Holiday Concert, 6 pm. A free holiday concert by the Praise Symphony Orchestra. Norwalk Missionary Baptist Church, 11429 Beaty Ave.

SATURDAY, DEC. 15

Holidays at the Museum, 1-4 pm. Holiday entertainment and refreshments at Norwalk's historic home and museum. D.D. Johnston-Hargitt House Museum, 12426 Mapledale St.

SATURDAY, DEC. 29

Pokemon Premiere Challenge, 12 pm. A Pokemon video game competition, with prizes for each age division. \$5 buy-in. Unrated Gaming, 15617 Studebaker Rd., Suite 3.

SATURDAY, JAN. 5

Las Posadas., 6 pm. An annual tradition, this event features a candlelit procession, caroling of holiday songs, performances by mariachis and folklorico dancers, pinatas for kids, and more. City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

SATURDAY, JAN. 12

Self Defense Workshop, 2 pm. A basic introduction to hand-to-hand self defense. Plus, learn about non-lethal weapons such as pepper spray, stun guns and pressure point tools. Z-Ultimate Self Defense Studios, 12521 Alondra Blvd., Unit A

Compiled by Eric Pierce. Email calendar listings to eric@thedowneypatriot.com



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Washington’s phony moves against Russian meddling

By Betsy McCaughey

The Justice Department announced charges against Russian social media manipulator Elena Khusyaynova on Friday. She is accused of conspiring to set up fake Facebook and Twitter accounts under names such as “Bertha Malone,” “Rachell Edison” and “wokeluisa” that posted “tens of thousands of messages” about gun rights, immigration, the midterm elections and other controversial topics.

No one wants to see foreign nations meddling in our politics. But don’t be bamboozled by the fanfare over this criminal complaint. Federal officials claim going after Khusyaynova is part of a necessary crackdown because propaganda machines like hers “undermine confidence in our democratic institutions” and mislead voters.

Truth is, these officials are grandstanding. Their charges will go nowhere. Khusyaynova, an accountant who manages financial transactions for the conspirators, resides in St. Petersburg, Russia, and there is no extradition treaty with Russia. That means she’ll never go to trial. What a waste of taxpayers’ money for investigators and lawyers with no end game. It’s a Justice Department vanity project.

Officials are wildly overstating the impact of foreign propaganda operations like Khusyaynova’s on voters. The impact is minuscule. Twitter’s lawyer told the Senate Judiciary committee that Russian tweets “represented a very small fraction of the overall activity on Twitter in the 10-week period preceding the 2016 election.” How small? Less than two one-hundredths of a percent (0.016 percent)

of the total accounts on Twitter at the time, and 1 percent of overall election-related Tweets. In short, Russians added nothing more than a tiny whisper to the political clamor. These numbers disprove the myth that Russian interference won the election for Trump.

The Twitter data also show that rather than saying anything new, Russian meddlers were amplifying what Americans were already posting. The tweets fed existing prejudices. So what was the point? To “sow discord,” the Justice Department argues. The tweets span the ideological spectrum, pro-Trump and anti-Trump, for and against gun control, for and against securing the border.

Same is true of the Khusyaynova Facebook postings, according to the FBI. They’re not going to impact the midterm elections because they don’t consistently support one party.

That was also true of the fake postings made by 13 Russians indicted last spring by special counsel Robert Mueller. His mandate is to look into the Trump campaign’s possible collusion with Russian officials to influence the 2016 election, but so far Mueller has failed to connect any dots.

In the absence of collusion, Washington officials need to moderate their hysteria over foreigners on social media. Foreign agents have tried to influence American elections dating back to 1796. The more urgent issue is the integrity of the vote count. Last March, Congress approved grants to the states to improve voting technology. In September, President Donald Trump authorized tougher sanctions against nations that tamper with American election equipment, not

just social media. The focus should be on keeping Vladimir Putin’s cyber-thugs from altering an election.

This week, the United States Cyber Command acknowledged that it’s been warning foreign operatives to stop their misinformation campaigns.

Unfortunately, liberal media outlets and Democrats in Congress, including Senator Dianne Feinstein, are urging tech companies to take on the role of speech police against social media misinformation campaigns, both domestic and foreign. Yikes. That would be devastating to our democracy. We can’t trust Twitter, which recently refused to suspend Louis Farrakhan for tweeting a comparison of Jews to termites. Surely we can’t trust Google, which is building a censored search engine for the Chinese market that blocks access to terms like “human rights” and “freedom of religion.”

Social media should be the 21st-century version of the public square. It’s true that rogue foreigners are invading it, but so far the harm is minor. What Americans cannot risk is ceding to Silicon Valley liberals — or any group — the power to limit access to opposing views. That would be far more dangerous than Russian meddling.

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Will you stop obsessing over Trump’s insults?

By Froma Harrop

It’s getting harder by the day to tune in to MSNBC. My chief complaint isn’t the leftist slant. It’s the news channel’s obsession with the latest idiocy to emerge from the Trumpian yap. Anyone who wants to express dismay that Trump called a woman “Horseface” is certainly entitled to, but not on my time’s dime.

There’s little shock or news value here. Donald Trump’s rap sheet of insults toward women is long. Watching the respectable media endlessly debate every attention-seeking gibe as if it were momentous news is depressing.

Of greater concern is their focus on the insignificant, letting it crowd out coverage of the administration’s toxic policies. The big story is exploding deficits. Pumping out trillion-dollar deficits in the middle of a strong economy is fiscal insanity.

The reckless tax cuts are the main driver. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell is already weaponizing the deficit to force cuts in Medicare and Social Security.

Republican talk of new middle-class tax cuts is pre-election baloney. No details — not on the cuts themselves, not on paying for them (ha-ha-ha). Anyhow, more tax cuts would blow the deficit still higher, sharpening the dagger pointed at cherished middle-class programs.

Of course, Trump would rather we fixate on “Horseface” or his other anti-social mutterings. That’s how he distracts us from policies

that hurt ordinary Americans.

Recall Trump’s recent visit to Montana, where he praised Rep. Greg Gianforte, best known for physically assaulting a reporter. “Any guy that can do a body slam, he’s my guy,” Trump bellowed as his crowd cheered lustily.

In my book, a guy who loses it after being asked a question on health care is weak on anger management. That said, Gianforte did apologize for the incident, and the reporter is fine.

In making the story all about Trump, the news channels missed an opportunity to cover Gianforte’s highly unpopular positions on a burning issue in the rural West: the people’s right to enjoy their gorgeous wilderness.

A multimillionaire from New Jersey, Gianforte joined other wealthy out-of-staters in buying vast tracts in Montana and then trying to keep locals — used to more neighborly landowners — off their properties. Gianforte sued the state to remove a public easement that gave hunters, anglers and hikers access to the East Gallatin River via his property. He accused Montana of using “extortion” to keep the path open.

More ominously, Gianforte has introduced two bills in Congress that would strip protections from 800,000 acres of federally owned land in Montana. It includes some of the state’s most beloved and iconic landscapes, among them the Centennial Mountains and the Terry Badlands. Much of the land was recommended for wilderness

designation by pre-Trump Interior Departments.

The bills would open it to industrial uses, such as logging, mining and oil and gas development. Guess whose friends could profit handsomely.

Gianforte’s “public meeting” on the matter was actually an invitation-only meeting. Less than 24 hours before, he played the trick of saying anyone could come. Those opposed, if they learned of the change, had little time to get themselves there. Montana is a big place.

So too bad that the recent coverage centered on Gianforte’s long-ago outburst. And that was only because Trump gave it a thumbs-up.

In truth, Trump rallies have become boring reruns. Even Fox News is cutting back on covering them. “It’s hard to call something breaking news if it happens with metronomic regularity,” a Fox News source reportedly told BuzzFeed.

Trump undoubtedly plans new verbal eruptions to push us off the trail of things that matter. Condemning them is easy. Ignoring them would be a gift to the civic culture.

Froma Harrop covers the waterfront of politics, economics and culture. Follow her on Twitter @FromaHarrop.

Assembly race

Dear Editor:

Sadly, smear tactics have become the new norm in local politics, a sinister form of character assassination aimed at disparaging our community leaders.

A recent ad, wrought with a litany of lies about Cristina Garcia, our 58th district assembly representative, aims to derail her successive run for the 58th Assembly District. This disparaging ad, seemingly retaliatory in nature, presumes voters will blindly jump on the bandwagon to derail her chance of securing another term.

However, when voters take the time to examine Ms. Garcia’s consistent record of advocacy on behalf of her constituents on issues of environmental justice, government transparency, women’s equity, health and education, youth empowerment and leadership and countless other family issues, then we must rise above the fray and bombardment of negative slanderous propaganda.

Mean-spirited propaganda presumes the voting audience can be easily manipulated with falsehoods and unsubstantiated claims. However, it is evident, at least to voters we’ve consulted, that this smear campaign is about silencing us and relegating our community’s needs back to the margins. As conscientious voters, we won’t be bullied by outside interests with deep pockets, who have an ax to grind.

When voters consider Cristina’s commendable merits, then we voters rise above the fray to help Cristina continue the good fight. She is tough, highly effective and has credible support. Undeniably, she is passionate about the issues that matter and that most impact our communities. Your vote for Cristina Garcia is a step toward bold, responsive representation in the 58th Assembly District.

We stand with Cristina.
Hubert H. Humphrey Democratic Club

Dear Editor:

I am a moderate voter that has voted for both Democrats and Republicans in the past.

The state assembly seat for District 58 is up for election. Republican Mike Simpfenderfer is challenging incumbent Democrat Cristina Garcia for the seat.

I have been very disheartened by the accusations of terrible behavior and improper conduct against Garcia, and was definitely looking to vote for an alternative to her. Before I could cast a vote for him, I wanted some straight talk from Simpfenderfer. He frequently says that we deserve better than Garcia (I agree) and he goes on to speak of the need for a respectful and proper work environment that has been apparently lacking on the part of Garcia.

So, I asked him via his Facebook page why is it okay to verbally support Donald Trump and the absolutely appalling, uncivilized and disrespectful way he conducts himself, but Cristina Garcia has to go for her poor behavior. He read my question, but never gave me answer.

Well, I agree with him that we deserve better, but the fact is we deserve better than Garcia and Simpfenderfer, This man professes to be a change, yet refuses to even answer a simple question from a constituent he claims to wish to represent. He is just another partisan hypocrite.

As a voter with a conscience, I can not vote for either of these candidates. I hope the next time this seat is up for a vote, we have a decent candidate..or heaven forbid, two decent candidates that have a moral compass and are willing to engage and address concerns by voters.

**Matt Millard
Downey**

Canada got it right when it legalized recreational marijuana

By Jacob Sullum

It turns out that when you legalize marijuana, a lot of people show up to buy it. That development seemed to surprise cannabis controllers in Canada, where shortages were reported almost immediately after legal recreational sales began last week.

In several other respects, however, Canada is handling the transition from prohibition to regulation better than the United States. Canadians seem to have learned a few things from American mistakes, and we in turn can learn from their successes.

The most significant difference between the approaches taken by the two countries is that Canada has legalized marijuana at the national level. It is only the second country in the world (after Uruguay) to do so.

In the United States, by contrast, marijuana is still prohibited by federal law. As a result, marijuana merchants in the eight states that license them operate under a legal cloud, committing federal felonies every day. Aside from exposing cannabusinesses to the risk of prosecution and forfeiture, the federal ban complicates financing, leasing, contracting, insurance, banking and income taxes.

There is an easy fix for this problem: Congress can show its respect for the 10th Amendment by repealing the federal ban as it pertains to conduct that is permitted under state law. Even former New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, who promised to crack down on state-legal marijuana when he ran for the 2016 Republican presidential nomination, recently conceded that “states have the right to do what they want” with cannabis.

Another important advantage of the Canadian approach is

modest marijuana taxes, which help displace the black market. The national government is imposing an excise tax of 10 percent or \$1 per gram, whichever is greater, and giving the provinces 75 percent of the revenue.

That’s in addition to standard sales taxes, which range from 5 to 15 percent. Still, the effective tax rates are substantially lower than in jurisdictions such as California and Washington, where steep taxes have made it hard for licensed merchants to compete with illegal dealers. An industry analyst recently told The New York Times that heavy taxes and burdensome regulation in California make legal marijuana about 77 percent more expensive than marijuana sold by unlicensed dealers.

High purchase ages, like high taxes, help sustain the black market. In the U.S., all nine states that have legalized recreational use have set the minimum age for purchase or possession at 21, corresponding to the drinking age. The upshot is that most college-age adults, 40 percent of whom use marijuana, cannot do so legally.

Canada also used the rule for alcohol as a benchmark, but it has a lower drinking age. The national minimum for both alcohol and marijuana is 18, and most provinces have added a year to that cutoff.

In both Canada and the United States, local governments generally have the authority to ban marijuana businesses within their borders. But Canada gives consumers a reliable and discreet way around local bans by letting them buy marijuana online and have it delivered by mail throughout the country. In the U.S., most states with legal pot do not allow direct deliveries to consumers, and the continuing federal ban makes sending marijuana by mail, UPS or FedEx a risky proposition.

The Canadian government not only has decided to stop treating cannabis consumers as criminals. It also plans to help cannabis consumers who continue to suffer from that label by eliminating fees and waiting periods for sealing conviction records related to possession of 30 grams or less of marijuana, which is now legal.

The plan is far from perfect, but it goes further than the policies of most U.S. states with legal pot, and it invites a serious discussion of a key moral issue raised by the repeal of marijuana prohibition: When a government decides to stop punishing people for peaceful activities that violate no one’s rights, what does it owe to the victims of that oppressive policy?

Jacob Sullum is a senior editor at Reason magazine.

Moon landing conspiracy

Dear Editor:

There is a new movie called “First Man” in which Ryan Gosling portrays Neil Armstrong.

The film’s trailer shows Armstrong standing on the moon with a pure 100% black outerspace background of not one single star. There should be thousands of stars behind him.

The lie continues.
**Mike Sandoval
Downey**

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State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2018
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fin not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

S/ALL 4 OUR KIDS, INC, PRESIDENT, TERESA DELGADO
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S/ANTHONY ELIAS HINOJOS, OWNER
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018260349
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LOS ANGELES CHINESE CULTURAL CENTER, 1110 BATES AVE., LOS ANGELES CA 90029, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 11730 LAKELAND ROAD, NORWALK CA 90650

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State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2009
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S/LA CHINESE CULTURAL CENTER GROUP, CFO, GUOHE LI
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 15, 2018
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State of Incorporation: N/A
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S/NI HAN, OWNER

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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALEJANDRO PEREZ ORTIZ, 15219 DOMART AVE, NORWALK CA 90650
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL
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S/ALEJANDRO PEREZ ORTIZ, OWNER
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File Number 2018244900
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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) STEVEN J HERNANDEZ, 16309 LAMBERT RD, WHITTIER CA 90604
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: AN INDIVIDUAL
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
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S/STEVEN J HERNANDEZ, OWNER
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THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) WASTELAND COMICS, 10022 ASPEN CIRCLE, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SARAH ROSE LANDAUER, 10022 ASPEN CIRCLE, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670 (2) ALSTON NOVAK, 1919 N HOLLYWOOD WAY, BURBANK CA 91505
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP
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S/SARAH ROSE LANDAUER, GENERAL PARTNER
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018250628
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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: C1664205 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) UNITED CHRISTIAN STREET ROD ASSOCIATION, 14742 BEACH BLVD #415, LA MIRADA CA 90638-4259
State of Incorporation: CA
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2018255124
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) WHITTIER TELEGRAPH, 13431 TELEGRAPH RD, WHITTIER CA 90605, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SAMAN EDALAT, DDS, INC., 13431 TELEGRAPH RD., WHITTIER CA 90605
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A CORPORATION
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
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S/SAMAN EDALAT, DDS, INC., PRESIDENT, SAMAN EDALAT
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GOVERNMENT

CITY OF NORWALK
NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR THE CITYWIDE SEWER MANHOLES REPAIR CITY PROJECT NO. 7513

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Norwalk will accept bids for this project until the hour of **eleven o'clock A.M. on November 20, 2018**. Bids are to be submitted to the City Clerk's office, Room 10, City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, California 90650. Bids will be opened and read aloud in the City Clerk's Office Room 10 unless otherwise posted. **OBTAINING BID DOCUMENTS.** Plans, specifications, bid forms, bonds and contracts may be obtained at the office of the City Engineer, Room 12, City Hall, Plans and specifications will be issued to prospective bidders over the counter for a \$10.00 charge. For plans and specifications that are required to be mailed the charge will be \$20.00. Checks are to be made payable to the City of Norwalk. **FACSIMILE NUMBER AND EMAIL ADDRESS.** Bidders shall supply the City Engineer with a facsimile number and email address to facilitate transmission of Addenda and other information related to these Contract Documents. If the Addenda and other information emailed, the City shall also send all documents by facsimile or U.S. Mail. Failure to provide such a facsimile number and email address may result in late notification. The City does not guarantee that it will provide any information by facsimile, email, or both. A Bidder shall be responsible for all Addenda regardless of whether Bidder received any such fax or email, and a Bidder shall have no recourse due to not receiving such facsimile, email or both.

REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS. In accordance with Labor Code Sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, no contractor or subcontractor shall be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions for bid purposes only under Labor Code Section 1771.1(a)]. **PREVAILING WAGES.** In accordance with Labor Code Section 1770 et seq., the Project is a "public work." The selected Bidder (Contractor) and any Subcontractors shall pay wages in accordance with the determination of the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") regarding the prevailing rate of per diem wages. Copies of those rates are available from the Bureau of Industrial Relations' Web site. The Contractor shall post a copy of the DIR's determination of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at each job site. This Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR. **BONDS.** Each Bid must be accompanied by a cash deposit, cashier's check, certified check or Bidder's Bond issued by a Surety insurer, made payable to the City and in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total Bid submitted. Personal or company checks are not acceptable. Upon Contract award, the Contractor shall provide faithful performance and payment Bonds, each in a sum equal to the Contract Price. Before acceptance of the Project, the Contractor shall submit a warranty or maintenance Bond that is valid for one year from acceptance, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the final Contract Price; in lieu of that Bond, the Contractor may submit and have extended for the appropriate duration of time. All Bonds must be issued by a California admitted Surety insurer using the forms set forth in the Contract Documents, or in any other form approved by the City Attorney. Failure to enter into the Contract with the City, including the submission of all required Bonds and insurance coverages, within fifteen (15) Days after the date of the mailing of written notice of contract award to the Bidder, may subject the Bid security to forfeiture to the extent provided by law. **LICENSES.** Each Bidder shall possess a valid **Class A** Contractor's license issued by the California State Contractors License Board at the time of the Bid submission. The successful Contractor must also possess a current City business license. **INDUSTRIAL SAFETY RECORD.** The bidder shall submit as part of its Bid a completed copy of its Industrial Safety Record including all construction Work undertaken in California by the bidder and any partnership, joint venture or corporation

or company checks are not acceptable. Upon Contract award, the Contractor shall provide faithful performance and payment Bonds, each in a sum equal to the Contract Price. Before acceptance of the Project, the Contractor shall submit a warranty or maintenance Bond that is valid for one year from acceptance, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the final Contract Price; in lieu of that Bond, the Contractor may submit proof from the Surety that the performance Bond has been extended for the appropriate duration of time. All Bonds must be issued by a California admitted Surety insurer using the forms set forth in the Contract Documents, or in any other form approved by the City Attorney. Failure to enter into the Contract with the City, including the submission of all required Bonds and insurance coverages, within fifteen (15) Days after the date of the mailing of written notice of contract award to the Bidder, may subject the Bid security to forfeiture to the extent provided by law. **LICENSES.** Each Bidder shall possess a valid **Class A** or **Class C-42** Contractor's license issued by the California State Contractors License Board at the time of the Bid submission. The successful Contractor must also possess a current City business license. **INDUSTRIAL SAFETY RECORD.** The bidder shall submit as part of its Bid a completed copy of its Industrial Safety Record including all construction Work undertaken in California by the bidder and any partnership, joint venture or corporation

as a principal or owner for the last five (5) calendar years and the current calendar year before the date of Bid submission. **INCORPORATION OF STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.** The 2018 edition of "Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction" ("Standard Specifications"), as amended by published updates and by the Contract Documents, is incorporated into the Contract Documents by reference. **RETENTION SUBSTITUTION.** Five percent (5%) of any progress payment will be withheld as retention. In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 22300, and at the request and expense of the Contractor, securities equivalent to the amount withheld may be deposited with the City or with a State or federally chartered bank as escrow agent, which shall then pay such moneys to the Contractor. Upon satisfactory completion of the Project, the securities shall be returned to the Contractor. Alternatively, the Contractor may request that the City make payments of earned retentions directly to an escrow agent at the Contractor's expense. No such substitutions shall be accepted until all related documents are approved by the City Attorney. **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES.** Liquidated damages shall accrue in the amount of **\$500 per calendar day** that Work remains incomplete beyond the Project completion deadline specified in the Contract Documents. **BIDDING PROCESS.** The City Council of the City of Norwalk reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and/or waive any informality on a bid. No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date and time set for the opening thereof. **BY ORDER OF THE NORWALK CITY COUNCIL** of the City of Norwalk, California this 16th day of October 2018.

Theresa Devoy, CMC
City Clerk of the City of Norwalk

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CITY OF NORWALK
NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF NORWALK WELL NO. 10 PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Norwalk will accept bids for this project until the hour of **eleven o'clock A.M. on November 21, 2018**. Bids are to be submitted to the City Clerk's office, Room 10, City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, California 90650. Bids will be opened and read aloud in the City Clerk's Office Room 10 unless otherwise posted. **OBTAINING BID DOCUMENTS.** Plans, specifications, bid forms, bonds and contracts may be obtained at the office of the City Engineer, Room 12, City Hall. Plans and specifications will be issued to prospective bidders over the counter for a \$25.50 charge. For plans and specifications that are required to be mailed the charge will be \$35.50. Checks are to be made payable to the City of Norwalk. **FACSIMILE NUMBER AND EMAIL ADDRESS.** Bidders shall supply the City Engineer with a facsimile number and email address to facilitate transmission of Addenda and other information related to these Contract Documents. If the Addenda and other information related to these Contract Documents is emailed, the City shall also send all documents by facsimile or U.S. Mail. Failure to provide such a facsimile number and email address may result in late notification. The City does not guarantee that it will provide any information by facsimile, email, or both. A Bidder shall be responsible for all Addenda regardless of whether Bidder received any such fax or email, and a Bidder shall have no recourse due to not receiving such facsimile, email or both.

REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS. In accordance with Labor Code Sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, no contractor or subcontractor shall be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions for bid purposes only under Labor Code Section 1771.1(a)]. **PREVAILING WAGES.** In accordance with Labor Code Section 1770 et seq., the Project is a "public work." The selected Bidder (Contractor) and any Subcontractors shall pay wages in accordance with the determination of the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") regarding the prevailing rate of per diem wages. Copies of those rates are available from the Bureau of Industrial Relations' Web site. The Contractor shall post a copy of the DIR's determination of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at each job site. This Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR. **BONDS.** Each Bid must be accompanied by a cash deposit, cashier's check, certified check or Bidder's Bond issued by a Surety insurer, made payable to the City and in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total Bid submitted. Personal or company checks are not acceptable. Upon Contract award, the Contractor shall provide faithful performance and payment Bonds, each in a sum equal to the Contract Price. Before acceptance of the Project, the Contractor shall submit a warranty or maintenance Bond that is valid for one year from acceptance, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the final Contract Price; in lieu of that Bond, the Contractor may submit and have extended for the appropriate duration of time. All Bonds must be issued by a California admitted Surety insurer using the forms set forth in the Contract Documents, or in any other form approved by the City Attorney. Failure to enter into the Contract with the City, including the submission of all required Bonds and insurance coverages, within fifteen (15) Days after the date of the mailing of written notice of contract award to the Bidder, may subject the Bid security to forfeiture to the extent provided by law. **LICENSES.** Each Bidder shall possess a valid **Class A** Contractor's license issued by the California State Contractors License Board at the time of the Bid submission. The successful Contractor must also possess a current City business license. **INDUSTRIAL SAFETY RECORD.** The bidder shall submit as part of its Bid a completed copy of its Industrial Safety Record including all construction Work undertaken in California by the bidder and any partnership, joint venture or corporation

that any principal of the bidder participated in as a principal or owner for the last five (5) calendar years and the current calendar year before the date of Bid submission. **INCORPORATION OF STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.** The 2018 edition of "Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction" ("Standard Specifications"), as amended by published updates and by the Contract Documents, is incorporated into the Contract Documents by reference. **RETENTION SUBSTITUTION.** Five percent (5%) of any progress payment will be withheld as retention. In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 22300, and at the request and expense of the Contractor, securities equivalent to the amount withheld may be deposited with the City or with a State or federally chartered bank as escrow agent, which shall then pay such moneys to the Contractor. Upon satisfactory completion of the Project, the securities shall be returned to the Contractor. Alternatively, the Contractor may request that the City make payments of earned retentions directly to an escrow agent at the Contractor's expense. No such substitutions shall be accepted until all related documents are approved by the City Attorney. **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES.** Liquidated damages shall accrue in the amount of **\$500 per calendar day** that Work remains incomplete beyond the Project completion deadline specified in the Contract Documents. **BIDDING PROCESS.** The City Council of the City of Norwalk reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and/or waive any informality on a bid. No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date and time set for the opening thereof. **BY ORDER OF THE NORWALK CITY COUNCIL** of the City of Norwalk, California this 16th day of October 2018.

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NOTICES

Notice of Reservation of Rights UCC1 208/1-207 Michael Eduard Eisner, No trespass notice on a living person private property violation, a \$10,000,000.00 remedy if violated.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CHARLES S. SLUSSER CASE NO. 18STPB09432

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of CHARLES S. SLUSSER. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JENNY LYNN CAMERON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JENNY LYNN CAMERON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with limited authority. (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: 11/09/18 at 8:30AM in Dept. 20 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.

Attorney for petitioner: JULIA SYLVA ESQ CNS 109979 LAW OFFICES OF JULIA SYLVA ALC 2700 CHERRY AVE STE 100 SIGNAL HILL CA 90755 CN954395 ALVARADO Oct 26, Nov 2, 2018

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: BARBARA L. STAMAS CASE NO. 18STPB09720

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of BARBARA L. STAMAS. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by TAMMY LYNN MERRELL in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that TAMMY LYNN MERRELL be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. 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: 11/16/18 at 8:30AM in Dept. 67 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.

Attorney for Petitioner: PAUL HORN, ESQ. - SBN 243227 PAUL HORN LAW GROUP, PC 11404 SOUTH STREET CERRITOS CA 90703 10/26, 11/2, 11/9/18 **CNS-3186408#**
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JOSE ANGEL ALVARADO Case No. 18STPB08643

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JOSE ANGEL ALVARADO. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Ann Marie Urbano in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Ann Marie Urbano be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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 on Dec. 6, 2018 at 8:3

LEGALS

The highest bidder at this auction, you are, you 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 (800) 280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site - www.Auction.com - for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case: **CA-18-830445-BF**. Information about post-foreclosure sales 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. SA-4672354 10/12/2018, 10/19/2018, 10/26/2018

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-18-830445-BF Order No.: 8737340 **YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/24/2011. 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.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty as to title, including right of possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **TRUDY M SEVILLA, A MARRIED PERSON** Recorded: **8/29/2011** as Instrument No. **20111164233** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **LOS ANGELES** County, California; Date of Sale: **11/21/2018 at 9:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, in the Vineyard Ballroom** Amount of Sale: **\$322,265.76** The purported property address is: **14250 FLATBUSH AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650** Assessor's Parcel No.: **8076-004-015** **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks and disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to locate the property, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: **Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711** or **NON SALE** Information only **http://www.loan.com** **Loan ID: 800-280-2832** Or Login to: **http://www.qualityloan.com/Reinstatement** **Loan ID: (866) 645-7711** **Ext 5318** **Quality Loan Service Corp.** TS No.: **CA-18-830445-BF** **IDSPub** No. **0145903** **10/19/2018** **10/26/2018** **11/2/2018**

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. 137311 Title No. 1800155822 **NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED TO YOUR IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/02/2005. 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

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 may not 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. Do not consult either these resources, you should understand that the sale is to 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 2924d of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sales postponements be made available to you, the borrower, at least 10 days before you are 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 800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-18-830445-BF**. Information about postponements that are in any short in the public record may be posted on 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. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no other recourse against the Trustee, the Trustee's Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: **Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108 619-445-7577 For more information call 800-280-2832 Line: 800-280-2832 Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7717 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No: **CA-18-830445-BF** IDSPub #0145903 10/19/2018 10/26/2018**

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's
Sale No. 137311 Title No. 1800155822
NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE
INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT
ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT
UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED
12/02/2005. 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

11/08/2018 at 9:00 AM, The Mortgage Law Firm, PLC, as duly appointed Trustee under the deed and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded herein in book xx, page xx, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, executed by Jose Antonio Barajas, and Silvia Barajas, Husband and Wife, as the undersigned, and the undersigned, the HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924d(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States), Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 - Vineyard Ballroom. All right, title and interest conveyed to and known held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State of California, described as: TRACT OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, BEING THE TRACT APN 018016-011-014 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 11117 Maidstone Avenue, Norwalk, CA 90650. 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, encumbrances, taxes, liens, and other interests. The principal sum of said note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, 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: . The undersigned Trustee, in order to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall not be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused to be a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be published in the Official Records of said County, the property is located, dated 10/8/2018 THE MORTGAGE LAW FIRM, PLC Adriana Norwalk/Durham/Authorized Signature 27455556 TERRERA ALTA WAY, STE. B, TEMECULA, CA 92590 (619) 465-8200 FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE. PLEASE CALL THE MORTGAGE LAW FIRM, PLC. (800) 280-2832 The Mortgage Law Firm, PLC. may be attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL LIEN HOLDERS: If you are a lien holder 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 your lien. If you are not the highest bidder, you 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 OWNERS: If you are a property owner, you should understand that the law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to the public in the newspaper of circulation in the county. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to the public in the newspaper of circulation in the county.

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 (800) 280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site - www.Auction.com - for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case (#3731). Information regarding postponement of the sale at very short duration 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. A-672536 10/12/2018, 10/19/2018, 10/26/2018

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Ts No. CA-18-831390-CL Order No. D57300-18000270 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/20/1994. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC AUCTION. THIS IS AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU. YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in the Uniform Gifts to Minors Act (UGMA) or the Uniform Transfers to Minors Act (UTMA), is authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. 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(s) and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), and the costs of this sale, and the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** **NOEMI BERMUDEZ VEGA** wife of **NOEMI BERMUDEZ VEGA** husband and wife Recorder: 6/27/1994 as Instrument No. 94 1215727 of Official Records in the County of the Recorder of **LOS ANGELES**, County, California; Date of Sale: 11/21/2018 11:00 AM Place of Sale: **At the Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, in the Vineyard Ballroom** Amount of unpaid

The purported property address is: 1143340
MONDAN AVENUE, NORWALK, CA 90650
Assessor's Parcel No.: 8016-107-029 Legal
Description: **Be advised that the legal description set forth on the Deed of Trust is in error. The legal description of the property secured by the Deed of Trust is more properly set forth and made part of Exhibit "A" as attached hereto.** Lot 27 of Tract No. 21510, in the City of Norwalk, County of Los Angeles, State of California, as per Map recorded in Book 27 Page(s) of the Official Records, Map No. _____, County Recorder of said County, Excepting _____ therefrom that portion of said land, granted to the State of California by Highway Easement Deed recorded October 2, 2001 at Instrument Number 20131426859 of Official Records. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property, 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 bid at the trustee auction does not automatically clear title to the 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 have this information. If you consult with 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 2924d of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to the public, as well as the date, time and place, as well as the present status of the property, 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 800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-18-831930-CL**. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected on the telephone information service on the Internet or the Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no correct street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 business days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the beneficiary may choose to re-convey title. The Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intendeded to exercise the note holders rights against the Trustor. **FOR NON SALE information only** 711-711-7111 Line: 800-280-2832 Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108 619-465-7411

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LPN: 8078-036-006 TS No: CA05001680-15-3 To No: 18-190718 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) DEED OF TRUST DATED September 22, 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On December 18, 2018 at 10:00 AM, behind the fountain located in the Civic Center Plaza, 1 Center Plaza, Torrance, CA 90501, MTC Financial Inc., a California Corporation, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on September 28, 2006 as Instrument No. 06 2157256, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by DOROTHY JENSEN, A WIDOW, as Trustor(s), in favor of MTC FINANCIAL INC., as Beneficiary, and in favor of the undersigned Trustee, as Successor Beneficiary, of INDIYMAC BANK, F.S.B. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designations of the property being sold as described above is purported to be: 15616 GRAYSTONE AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 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 without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining balance of the debt secured by the said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated 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 obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$418,245.16 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a 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, or a check drawn on a bank or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds and proceeds of any kind, whether or not it is applicable. 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. 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 are bidding at a Trustee auction on the property. 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 property and the lien being auctioned off. 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 Owners The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgage Beneficiary, Trustee, or 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 Source Logic at 702-659-7211, or visit the Internet Website of the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website address listed below for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA05001680-15-3. 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 be fully protected is to obtain a court order and attend the sale. Date: October 18, 2018 MTC Financial Inc., dba Trustee Corps TS No: CA05001680-15-3 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 Text: 866-660-4288 Myron Ravelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.insourcelogic.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION CALL: In Source Logic AT 702-659-7211 or visit the Internet Website at www.trusteesale.com to attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose.ISL Number 50876, Pub Dates: 10/26/2018, 11/02/2018, 11/09/2018, NORWALK PATRIOT

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.
18-20454-SP-CA Title No. 180257763-CA-
VOI A.P.N. 8072-031-010 ATTENTION

REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY IS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTEES ONLY PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE 2923.3. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT OF YOUR OBLIGATIONS TO THE TRUSTEES ON 08/25/2005, 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. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, (cashier's check/s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), 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 association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of 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 below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenants or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding the condition of the property, or the amount of the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Theodore Rusk, A Single Man, 1515 Spruce Street, Suite: National Default Servicing Corporation, 05/21/2004 (Book 05 as Instrument No. 05 2114847 (or Book 05 Page) of the Official Records of Los Angeles County, California. Date of Sale: 11/02/2018 at 11:00 AM Civic Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 Estimated amount of unpaid principal balance and other charges: \$409,036.22 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 14612 Seaford Avenue, Norwalk, CA 90650 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any errors or omissions in the above information, common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. 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 claim against the Trustee or the Trust. Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)(2923.55) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on the 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 subject to other liens or claims. The 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 have multiple mortgages on the trust or 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 reasons for the postponement, call the trustee of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 or visit this Internet Web site www.ndscorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 18-20454-SP-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. Date: 10/01/2018 National Default Servicing Corporation, 12300 Columbia and Bosco, P.A.'s agent, 12300 Columbia Street, Suite 680 San Diego, CA 92101 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 714-730-2727; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com Rachael Hamilton, Trustee Sales Representative A-4671902 10/12/2018, 10/19/2018, 10/26/2018

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Home sales in L.A., Orange counties drop 2%

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Although Glenn and Kings counties posted annual sales gains of 9.1 percent and 11.1 percent, respectively, sales for the Central Valley Region as a whole were down 15.1 percent from a year ago. Every other county of the region posted declines from a year ago.

While home prices continue to grow in the Bay Area, the rate of appreciation has slowed since the first half of the year. In September, the median price in the Bay Area increased 9.8 percent from last year, lower than the average year-over-year

growth rate of 14.9 percent.

Three counties continued to show double-digit growth compared with the previous year: San Mateo (14.2 percent), San Francisco (11.7 percent) and Marin (11.6 percent).

Sales in Los Angeles and Orange counties both dropped 20 percent in September, which is taking a toll on the price appreciation of each county and the Southern California region as a whole.

The Los Angeles Metropolitan Area had the lowest year-over-year growth rate of 3.4 percent in September among all major regions. Individually, Los Angeles

County and Orange County had the smallest growth rates of 4.7 percent and 3.3 percent, respectively, among all counties within the region. Riverside and San Diego also had modest growth rates of around 5 percent in September, while Ventura and San Bernardino had more robust price appreciation at 10.6 percent and 7.5 percent, respectively.

Statewide active listings rose for the sixth consecutive month following 33 straight months of declines, increasing 20.4 percent from the previous year. September's listings increase was the biggest in nearly four years.

At the regional level, the San Francisco Bay Area increased the most in active listings, with a surge of 44 percent year over year. The increase was most obvious in Santa Clara, as the county's active listings more than doubled (+113 percent) from last September. The Southern California region and the Central Valley region also had substantial gains in active listings, with year-over-year increases of 23 percent and 13 percent, respectively.

The Unsold Inventory Index, which is a ratio of inventory over sales, rose again in September from 3.3 months in September 2017 to 4.2 months in September 2018. The index measures the

number of months it would take to sell the supply of homes on the market at the current sales rate.

The median number of days it took to sell a California single-family home ticked up from 20 days in September 2017 to 23 days in September 2018, a sign that market competitiveness is not as heated as in 2017.

C.A.R.'s statewide sales price-to-list price ratio* hit the lowest level in 20 months but was down from a year ago at 98.5 percent in September 2018 compared with 99.1 percent in September 2017. The decline indicates that buyers may have

more negotiation power in the current market than a year ago.

The average statewide price per square foot** for an existing, single-family home statewide was \$282 in September, up from \$270 in September 2017, but dipped slightly from \$283 in August 2018.

The 30-year, fixed-mortgage interest rates averaged 4.63 percent in September, up from 3.81 percent in September 2017, according to Freddie Mac. The five-year, adjustable mortgage interest rate also increased in September to an average of 3.94 percent from 3.16 percent from September 2017.

Norwalk temple hosting diabetes summit

NORWALK – Nine medical professionals are scheduled to speak at a diabetes health and wellness summit Sunday, Nov. 4, at the Sanatan Dharma Temple in Norwalk.

The expo is free and runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Topics to be discussed include “What is Diabetes,” “ABCs of Diabetes,” “Major Complications of Diabetes,” “Woman Empowerment in Diabetes,” and “Diabetic Self Management.”

The Sanatan Dharma Temple is located at 15311 Pioneer Blvd.

Free garden compost available for Norwalk residents

NORWALK – Athens Services and the city of Norwalk are offering free compost to Norwalk residents this Saturday, Oct. 27.

The giveaway will take place in the City Hall parking lot from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Due to limited supply, there is a 30-gallon maximum per resident for the first hour, with no containers larger than 32 gallons permitted due to safety and weight concerns.

Residents are asked to bring their own shovels, dollies and sturdy containers to this self-serve drive-up event. Gloves and eye protection are recommended, and plastic bags are not allowed.

Compost, a soil conditioner created when organic waste undergoes natural decomposition, has many benefits. It keeps plants, lawns and gardens healthy by acting as a rich fertilizer. It helps retain moisture in the soil, saving water and money.

Compost use also prevents some plant diseases and pests.

The giveaway is reserved for Norwalk residents only.

Ministry holding ‘Friends & Family Day’

NORWALK – Walking in the Spirit Ministries is hosting “Friends & Family Day” this Sunday, Oct. 28, at 11 a.m. at the DoubleTree Hotel.

Guest speaker is Pastor Mel Robertson.

Guests are encouraged to bring friends or family. Free breakfast will be served.

Discounted golf for veterans

CERRITOS – United States military veterans will receive a 50 percent discount on green fees at the Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course on Veterans Day, Sunday, November 11.

The price for veterans who are Cerritos residents will be \$6, and the price for non-resident veterans will be \$7.75. Veterans must show their DD Form 214 to the starter to receive the discount.

Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course is located at 16449 Piuma Avenue. The course is open from 6:30 a.m. to sunset daily. For more information, call Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course at (562) 916-8400.

Military invited to free breakfast

DOWNEY – Military veterans and active duty military personnel, along with their families, are invited to a free breakfast Friday, Nov. 9, at 7:45 a.m. at Calvary Chapel Christian School.

Following the breakfast will be a program in the main sanctuary at 9 am.

For more information, call the school office at (562) 803-6556.

Mariachi groups usher in Christmas in Cerritos

CERRITOS – The festive Merry-Achi Christmas celebration returns to the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) with Sol de México de José Hernández, Mariachi Reyna de Los Angeles, and DanzArts Sabor México Dance Company.

The cultural holiday celebration graces the stage at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. Purchase tickets, which start from \$35, at the CCPA Ticket Office, cerritoscenter.com, or by calling (562) 916-8500.

“Merry-Achi Christmas” brings to the stage a colorful and traditional Mexican holiday celebration full of seasonal songs, dance, and festive merriment.

Formed in 1981, Sol de México de José Hernández is a dynamic team of 14 musicians and vocalists who personify the spirit of Mexico and its people. The group’s “25 Anniversario José Hernández y Su Mariachi Sol de México” was nominated for a “Best Mexican/Mexican-American Album” Latin Grammy, making the band the first Mariachi ensemble to earn the nod.

The band’s string of successful CDs includes “New York, New York;” “Are You Lonesome Tonight;” “Acapulco Girls;” and “Mi Mariachi.”

Sol de México has performed with music greats Jose Feliciano, Willie Nelson, and The Beach Boys. The group worked on Hollywood soundtracks for Sea Biscuit, The Old Gringo, and Don Juan de Marco.

Joining Sol de México on the stage is the all-female mariachi group Mariachi Reyna de Los Angeles. Staying true to its music and creative spirit, the ensemble mixes recognized masterpieces of Mariachi with popular cover tunes. The troupe has delighted fans with its spirit and energy reflective of Mexico’s vibrant musical heritage.

For tickets or more information on the performance, call (562) 916-8500 or go to cerritoscenter.com.

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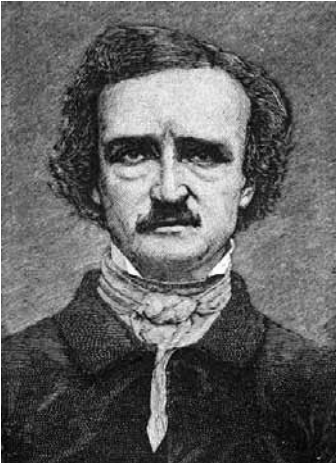
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The Tell-Tale Heart

by Edgar Allen Poe



True! -- nervous -- very, very dreadfully nervous I had been and am; but why will you say that I am mad? The disease had sharpened my senses -- not destroyed -- not dulled them. Above all was the sense of hearing acute. I heard all things in the heaven and in the earth. I heard many things in hell. How, then, am I mad? Hearken! and observe how healthily --how calmly I can tell you the whole story.

It is impossible to say how first the idea entered my brain; but once conceived, it haunted me day and night. Object there was none. Passion there was none. I loved the old man. He had never wronged me. He had never given me insult. For his gold I had no desire.

I think it was his eye! yes, it was this! He had the eye of a vulture --a pale blue eye, with a film over it. Whenever it fell upon me, my blood ran cold; and so by degrees -- very gradually -- I made up my mind to take the life of the old man, and thus rid myself of the eye forever.

Now this is the point. You fancy me mad. Madmen know nothing. But you should have seen me. You should have seen how wisely I proceeded -- with what caution -- with what foresight -- with what dissimulation I went to work! I was never kinder to the old man than during the whole week before I killed him. And every night, about midnight, I turned the latch of his door and opened it --oh so gently! And then, when I had made an opening sufficient for my head, I put in a dark lantern, all closed, closed, that no light shone out, and then I thrust in my head. Oh, you would have laughed to see how cunningly I thrust it in!

I moved it slowly -- very, very slowly, so that I might not disturb the old man’s sleep. It took me an hour to place my whole head within the opening so far that I could see him as he lay upon his bed. Ha! would a madman have been so wise as this, And then, when my head was well in the room, I undid the lantern cautiously -- oh, so cautiously -- cautiously (for the hinges creaked) --I undid it just so much that a single thin ray fell upon the vulture eye.

And this I did for seven long nights -- every night just at midnight -- but I found the eye always closed; and so it was impossible to do the work; for it was not the old man who vexed me, but his Evil Eye.

And every morning, when the day broke, I went boldly into the chamber, and spoke courageously to him, calling him by name in a hearty tone, and inquiring how he has passed the night. So you see he would have been a very profound old man, indeed, to suspect that every night, just at twelve, I looked in upon him while he slept.

Upon the eighth night I was more than usually cautious in opening the door. A watch’s minute hand moves more quickly than did mine. Never before that night had I felt the extent of my own powers --of my sagacity. I could scarcely contain my feelings of triumph. To think that there I was, opening the door, little by little, and he not even to dream of my secret deeds or thoughts.

I fairly chuckled at the idea; and perhaps he heard me; for he moved on the bed suddenly, as if startled. Now you may think that I drew back --but no. His room was as black as pitch with the thick darkness, (for the shutters were close fastened, through fear of robbers,) and so I knew that he could not see the opening of the door, and I kept pushing it on steadily, steadily.

I had my head in, and was about to open the lantern, when my thumb slipped upon the tin fastening, and the old man sprang up in bed, crying out -- “Who’s there?” I kept quite still and said nothing. For a whole hour I did not move a muscle, and in the meantime I did not hear him lie down. He was still sitting up in the bed listening; --just as I have done, night after night, hearkening to the death watches in the wall.

Presently I heard a slight groan, and I knew it was the groan of mortal terror. It was not a groan of pain or of grief --oh, no! --it was the low stifled sound that arises from the bottom of the soul when overcharged with awe. I knew the sound well. Many a night, just at midnight, when all the world slept, it has welled up from my own bosom, deepening, with its dreadful echo, the terrors that distracted me. I say I knew it well. I knew what the old man felt, and pitied him, although I chuckled at heart.

I knew that he had been lying awake ever since the first slight noise, when he had turned in the bed. His fears had been ever since growing upon him. He had been trying to fancy them causeless, but could not. He had been saying to himself -- “It is nothing but the wind in the chimney -- it is only a mouse crossing the floor,” or “It is merely a cricket which has made a single chirp.”

Yes, he had been trying to comfort himself with these suppositions: but he had found all in vain. All in vain; because Death, in approaching him had stalked with his black shadow before him, and enveloped the victim. And it was the mournful influence of the unperceived shadow that caused him to feel --although he neither saw nor heard --to feel the presence of my head within the room.

When I had waited a long time, very patiently, without hearing him lie down, I resolved to open a little --a very, very little crevice in the lantern. So I opened it --you cannot imagine how stealthily, stealthily --until, at length a simple dim ray, like the thread of the spider, shot from out the crevice and fell full upon the vulture eye. It was open --wide, wide open --and I grew furious as I gazed upon it.

I saw it with perfect distinctness --all a dull blue, with a hideous veil over it that chilled the very marrow in my bones; but I could see nothing else of the old man’s face or person: for I had directed the ray as if by instinct, precisely upon the damned spot. And have I not told you that what you mistake for madness is but over-acuteness of the sense? --now, I say, there came to my ears a low, dull, quick sound, such as a watch makes when enveloped in cotton. I knew that sound well, too. It was the beating of the old man’s heart. It increased my fury, as the beating of a drum stimulates the soldier into courage.

But even yet I refrained and kept still. I scarcely breathed. I held the lantern motionless. I tried how steadily I could maintain the ray upon the eve. Meantime the hellish tattoo of the heart increased. It grew quicker and quicker, and louder and louder every instant. The old man’s terror must have been extreme! It grew louder, I say, louder every moment! --do you mark me well I have told you that I am nervous: so I am. And now at the dead hour of the night, amid the dreadful silence of that old house, so strange a noise as this excited me to uncontrollable terror.

Yet, for some minutes longer I refrained and stood still. But the beating grew louder, louder! I thought the heart must burst. And now a new anxiety seized me --the sound would be heard by a neighbour! The old man’s hour had come!

With a loud yell, I threw open the lantern and leaped into the room. He shrieked once --once only. In an instant I dragged him to the floor, and pulled the heavy bed over him. I then smiled gaily, to find the deed so far done. But, for many minutes, the heart beat on with a muffled sound.



This, however, did not vex me; it would not be heard through the wall. At length it ceased. The old man was dead. I removed the bed and examined the corpse. Yes, he was stone, stone dead. I placed my hand upon the heart and held it there many minutes. There was no pulsation. He was stone dead. His eye would trouble me no more.

If still you think me mad, you will think so no longer when I describe the wise precautions I took for the concealment of the body. The night waned, and I worked hastily, but in silence. First of all I dismembered the corpse. I cut off the head and the arms and the legs. I then took up three planks from the flooring of the chamber, and deposited all between the scantlings. I then replaced the boards so cleverly, so cunningly, that no human eye --not even his --could have detected any thing wrong.

There was nothing to wash out --no stain of any kind --no blood-spot whatever. I had been too wary for that. A tub had caught all --ha! ha! When I had made an end of these labors, it was four o’clock --still dark as midnight.

As the bell sounded the hour, there came a knocking at the street door. I went down to open it with a light heart, --for what had I now to fear? There entered three men, who introduced themselves, with perfect suavity, as officers of the police. A shriek had been heard by a neighbour during the night; suspicion of foul play had been aroused; information had been lodged at the police office, and they (the officers) had been deputed to search the premises.

I smiled, --for what had I to fear? I bade the gentlemen welcome. The shriek, I said, was my own in a dream. The old man, I mentioned, was absent in the country. I took my visitors all over the house. I bade them search --search well. I led them, at length, to his chamber. I showed them his treasures, secure, undisturbed. In the enthusiasm of my confidence, I brought chairs into the room, and desired them here to rest from their fatigues, while I myself, in the wild audacity of my perfect triumph, placed my own seat upon the very spot beneath which reposed the corpse of the victim.

The officers were satisfied. My manner had convinced them. I was singularly at ease. They sat, and while I answered cheerily, they chatted of familiar things. But, ere long, I felt myself getting pale and wished them gone. My head ached, and I fancied a ringing in my ears: but still they sat and still chatted.

The ringing became more distinct: --It continued and became more distinct: I talked more freely to get rid of the feeling: but it continued and gained definiteness --until, at length, I found that the noise was not within my ears. No doubt I now grew very pale; --but I talked more fluently, and with a heightened voice. Yet the sound increased --and what could I do? It was a low, dull, quick sound -- much such a sound as a watch makes when enveloped in cotton. I gasped for breath --and yet the officers heard it not.

I talked more quickly --more vehemently; but the noise steadily increased. I arose and argued about trifles, in a high key and with violent gesticulations; but the noise steadily increased. Why would they not be gone? I paced the floor to and fro with heavy strides, as if excited to fury by the observations of the men --but the noise steadily increased.

Oh God! what could I do? I foamed --I raved --I swore! I swung the chair upon which I had been sitting, and grated it upon the boards, but the noise arose over all and continually increased. It grew louder --louder --louder! And still the men chatted pleasantly, and smiled. Was it possible they heard not?

Almighty God! --no, no, no! They heard! --they suspected! --they knew! --they were making a mockery of my horror!--this I thought, and this I think. But anything was better than this agony! Anything was more tolerable than this derision! I could bear those hypocritical smiles no longer! I felt that I must scream or die! and now --again! --hark! louder! louder! louder! louder!

“Villains!” I shrieked, “dissemble no more! I admit the deed! --tear up the planks! here, here! --It is the beating of his hideous heart!”

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