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Voting begins on new rail line name

DOWNEY – Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn is inviting the public's help to rename the "West Santa Ana Branch" rail line project.

The Metro light rail line will connect 10 cities in Southeast Los Angeles County and 1.4 million residents with accessible and reliable transit to downtown Los Angeles, but the name has long confused the public and has held back enthusiasm and support for the project.

Hahn has led an effort at Metro to rename the project and, starting Wednesday, the public will get to vote on the new name.

The planned rail line will run through Downey, Artesia, Cerritos, Paramount, Bellflower, South Gate, Cudahy, Bell, Huntington Park, Vernon to Union Station in downtown Los Angeles.

While the West Santa Ana Branch name carries historical significance, it has led to confusion because the line neither connects to the City of Santa Ana, nor is it west of most of Los Angeles County.

"This rail line is going to make a huge difference in the lives of residents from Artesia all the way to Huntington Park, but few people know about it because the name is so terrible," said Hahn. "So, we're picking a new name that people can get behind and connect with. Thank you to everyone who submitted one of the over 1,200 ideas we received. Now it's up to the public to vote for their favorites and help us 'Name That Train'."

"I'm excited to finally have a replacement name for the West Santa Ana Branch that properly represents and connects with the communities it will serve," said Whittier Mayor Pro Tem Fernando Dutra, who serves as 2nd Vice Chair on the Metro Board. "I appreciate the enthusiastic response from all the individuals that participated."

In the first part of the Name That Train contest, residents living up and down the line's route submitted over 1,200 possible names for consideration and a panel of judges selected 12 finalists:

Calafia: the mythical queen after which California—first thought to be the "Island of California"—is named.

Esperanza: "Hope" in Spanish. This project represents the aspirations of 1.4 million residents for improved mobility, better opportunities, and an enhanced quality of life.

Gateway Cities: This line will serve most of the Gateway Cities, making these communities more accessible to the rest of LA County and helping unify a regional identity.

Los Angeles Gateway: The Gateway Cities region will finally have a direct transit connection to the heart of Los Angeles.

Los Rios: This line will run along and cross our major rivers, including the San Gabriel River, the Los Angeles River and its Rio Hondo tributary.

Pioneer: Pioneer Blvd. runs through the heart of Artesia, the line's terminus. This project also represents a new frontier for the communities it will serve.

Pórtico: A portico is a door, a gateway to something new. This line will offer the Gateway Cities a portal to a brighter future.

Ruta Segura: "Safe Route" in Spanish. This project will give many new public transit users the confidence to travel on the Metro system.

Southeast: This line will serve not only Southeast Los Angeles but also most of Southeast Los Angeles County. Check the compass at Union Station; this line goes due Southeast.

Southeast Gateway: The communities of SELA and the Southeast LA County region—also known as the Gateway Cities—will have a gateway to DTLA.

The Heartland Connection: This line will provide a connection to the heart of the Metro system for the millions of residents of the Southeast Los Angeles County communities.

Tongva: The Tongva—whose name means "People of the Earth"—are the original inhabitants of the land that today is Southeast Los Angeles County.

The online public vote at [RenameWSAB.com](https://www.renamewsab.com) launches on November 15, 2023 and will close on December 17, 2023. Anyone can vote for their top three choices, ranked in order of preference. Votes are limited to one per person. The name with the most votes will be selected and announced in January 2024.



L.A. Metro plans to build a light rail line connecting Southeast L.A. County cities with Union Station. The rail line's name will be determined by a public vote.

Parents say man continues to film children

■ Norwalk has installed cameras as Allen Perez continues to film children outside a school and park.

By Vincent Medina
Contributor

NORWALK – The first time Cynthia Valdez, the mother of two daughters at New River Elementary School, called the public safety department to report Allen Perez for allegedly taking photos of her and her children at New River Park was on June 7.

Four months later, he continued to park his green Ford Explorer along the curb as the elementary school was let out.

"I would see him every day after school, but I thought he was a parent," Valdez said. "The Parks and Recreation staff told me they have been calling Public Safety on him since April, because they noticed him filming the kids."

Parents of students from New River Elementary School have come forward to explain the pattern of issues with Allen Perez, the man accused of taking photographs of children after school at New River Park.

While community members have called Public Safety and law enforcement to report the situation with Perez multiple times, the officers have been unable to take any action against him.

As Public Safety officers explained to Valdez on June 7, under the first amendment Perez had the right to film while on public property in the park where privacy was not expected.

The following day Valdez called Public Safety again, after she said Perez followed her from her home to New River Park. Public Safety was still unable to act, she said.

As Valdez was putting her daughters in her car for a trip to McDonalds on Saturday, June 10, she looked up her driveway to find Perez sitting in his car outside her home. She brought her children back inside and called the Norwalk Sheriff's station.

"I stood there and I was like, 'Why did you follow me home?'" Valdez said. "The sheriff's came and they told me because he was on the curb, public property, they could not do anything."

The officers told Valdez he would have to come to her home three times before she could file a stalking incident report and get a 90 day restraining order.

Valdez said her neighbors had also begun to notice Perez's suspicious behavior and confronted him on June 12. After that, Valdez filed a stalking incident report and was granted a temporary 90-day restraining order pending further review.

When she filed the order, she learned Perez's name.

However, the restraining order detailed Perez was to stay 100 yards away from Valdez as he lives 300 yards away from her home.

Perez sought his own restraining order against Valdez alleging she was the one following him but was denied. Valdez's permanent restraining

order against him was also denied.

"They said because he never physically touched me, he never went on my property, the restraining order was denied. He only followed me and never talked to me," Valdez said.

After the court proceedings and the restraining orders were denied on July 12, Valdez took her daughters to New River Park, and as she was with them, she saw Perez in his car parked on the curb.

"I didn't come back to the park because I don't want to deal with him," Valdez said. "I posted on Facebook that he was filming the kids in the park."

During the summer, the community held a meeting with Public Safety officers in the park to discuss how to keep kids safe for the upcoming school year. Valdez reports the community members demanded increased patrols in the neighborhood as school was let out.

However, Public Safety began increasing patrol by New River Elementary School in May, when they continued receiving numerous calls about Perez in the park, according to the department.

Jody Gardner, the principal of New River Elementary School, emailed parents to notify them of the ongoing situation on Oct. 17.

She reiterated that while Parents have asked him to move, law-enforcement has not been able to take action against him. Also, the district is limited in their response because he is on a public street and not interfering with the school operations.

"Recently flyers about this individual were posted in the Park claiming the individual is a sex offender, however database searches have come back with no record of any offense," Gardner's email read. "We will continue to monitor this situation with the assistance of [Norwalk Public Safety and the Norwalk Sheriff's] Departments."

Mia Villasenor, a mother of two young children, recounted her first interaction with Perez on Oct. 19, when Perez allegedly attempted to follow her home. While her children are not of school age, she is a regular at the community park.

"I was starting to go home and he pulled over and tried to tell me something, but I kept driving. I turned into a residential street to hide from him and I saw him pass by," Villasenor said. "He made a U-turn to try to catch up to me, so I turned in another street and he blocked me."

That week, the Norwalk City Council approved Public Safety to install security cameras in front of New River Park. However, Perez was not deterred and continued to park in front of the cameras.

Villasenor evaded Perez until the following day, when she returned to the park and waited for Valdez. Villasenor had parked in front of the cameras, but he got out of his car and began filming her car and her children.

She quickly locked herself in the car with her kids, their father and a family friend inside the vehicle until he left.

Villasenor filmed him as he

walked around her car, and is also planning to seek a 90-day restraining order.

A protest erupted outside Perez home on Nov. 2, after Fox11 News reported that a 13 year-old girl alleges to have seen Perez in his car "masturbating to kids." However, a police report was never filed of the incident.

Perez's home was vandalized, as social justice groups spray painted and threw eggs at the house.

Councilmember Rick Ramierez insists the groups that vandalized the house were not from Norwalk and encouraged the community to use the legal path if they make action against Perez.

"We don't condone those actions, [parents in Norwalk] had no part in organizing any protests in front of anyone's home," Ramierez said. "We are trying to do it the peaceful and the legal way, but parents are frustrated, they've tried everything legally."

The city council released a statement encouraging peaceful and legal action as well.

"The city of Norwalk, its City Council and its staff takes seriously the allegations submitted by members of the public concerning the circumstances and as exploring all available legal options," the council statement reads. "The city strongly urges members of the public to avoid contact or confrontation with any individual who may pose a threat to their public safety or well being and also seeks the cooperation of everyone to not engage in an effort to take enforcement measures into their own hands."

The Norwalk Sheriff's Department released a statement explaining that during the July community meeting, the activities of Perez did not rise to the level of criminal activity. The statement read that patrols were increased in the vicinity, aimed to ensure everyone's safety.

"We understand that this is very concerning for parents and the community, and we will ensure that any official complaint will be thoroughly investigated," the sheriff department statement reads. "There are some allegations of potential lewd acts by the adult male in some media reports however the department has not received an official report through the Norwalk Sheriff's Station or the Norwalk Public Safety Department."

They urge anyone who has information regarding the incident to contact the Norwalk Sheriff's Station and file an official report so an investigation can begin.

Norwalk La Mirada Unified School District Board of Education released a similar statement to Gardner, explaining that they are limited in their response as the "individual" has not broken any laws regarding occupying public spaces. The statement read the board is working with the Public Safety and Sheriff's Departments and will continue to monitor this situation.

Perez did not respond to calls for comments.

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 74°

Saturday 66°

Sunday 72°

ON THIS DAY

1558:

At the death of Mary I, Elizabeth Tudor came to the English throne as Elizabeth I; leading England as a major European power in politics, commerce, and the arts.

1869:

After 10 years of construction, the Suez Canal opened in Egypt.

1871:

The National Rifle Association was granted a charter by New York state; the NRA's initial goal was to "promote and encourage rifle shooting on a scientific basis," and it later became a leading advocate of gun rights.

1968:

Viewers of the Raiders-Jets football game in the eastern United States were denied the opportunity to watch its exciting finish when NBC switched to "Heidi" instead, prompting changes to sports broadcasting in the U.S.

1973:

During the Watergate scandal, President Richard Nixon held a press conference in which he declared, "I am not a crook."

1998:

Album releases by Garth Brooks, Whitney Houston, Mariah Carey, Jewel and others resulted in large crowds and long lines at retailers across the country.

2003:

Republican Arnold Schwarzenegger was inaugurated as the governor of California following a recall election that ousted the sitting governor.



2008:

The first film adaptation of Stephenie Meyer's popular Twilight Saga, a vampire-themed series of novels for teenagers, premiered in Los Angeles.

2019:

The first known case of COVID-19 is traced to a 55-year-old man who had visited a market in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China

BIRTHDAYS

Director **Martin Scorsese** (81), TV and film actor **Danny DeVito** (78), TV host **RuPaul** (63), British talk show host **Jonathan Ross** (63), actress **Rachel McAdams** (45), and undisputed boxing champ **Devin Haney** (25).

Downey art gallery threatens closure without city funding

■ Stay Gallery could close in January without a funding commitment from the city of Downey.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – With their agreement with the city of Downey expired and minimal funds coming in, Stay Arts fears that its namesake gallery may soon be forced to shut its doors.

After previously having their lease paid for by the city, Stay Arts – who operates Stay Gallery – say that conversations about the space’s future funding have grown cold.

Instead, Stay says that it was told to apply for the city’s new Community Based Organization Funding Program, which will see a \$100,000 grant divided up between nonprofits for use on programs, events, and projects.

“What’s happening is our operating agreement with the city of Downey lapsed in May; it’s been an agreement that has been renewed since our start in 2012,” said Gabriel Enamorado, executive director of Stay Arts. “That agreement is a contractual agreement where Stay provides services to the community in the form of programs and maintaining and operating [the gallery], and we are compensated through the Art in Public Places Fund in the form of lease payments for the building.”

Enamorado said that this agreement has been renewed every three years, with the final agreement ending in May. He added that Stay had tried to renew the agreement in various

ways, submitting proposals since around 2021 “to envision what going forward would look like.”

“Essentially, our proposal, our requests have not been prioritized,” said Enamorado.

Stay did apply for the CBO grant, but Enamorado says that even if they are selected, “it’s two different expenses.”

“The thing is, that grant is specifically for programs and services and events. Our funding from the AIPP is specifically for our building, and when you look at the Art in Public Places ordinance, it specifically states that money is for public art installations and art venues in the downtown.”

Stay applied for three months of affordable workshops and classes in Spring 2024, but according to Programs Director Juliana Canty, the gallery would “still be at risk of closing.”

“Even if we were to receive that grant, it’s still not a viable solution for the lease of the building,” said Canty.

Stay has already been forced to cut some corners just to maintain their building.

“I’ve already skipped my payroll multiple times, so has [Canty] so that we can keep the building and the cost associated,” said Enamorado. “You look at the space; it’s a small space, but you’re talking about a space that is meant to have public hours for the community, meant to have programming that’s consistent, the time and labor it takes to produce all that... We tap out at a certain point; you hit a limit.”

“We’re a service-based



Gabe Enamorado and Juliana Canty, of Stay Arts, say the gallery has a few months before it may close due to lack of funding. (Photo by Alex Dominguez)

organization; we’re providing a service and filling a need, not this market that we’re tapping into.”

Stay has also not been able to program much, as Enamorado says it costs a lot of money to do so. Their last show cost around \$5,000, and only raised around \$8,000.

He said they’re “not looking to cash-out on this thing.”

“That’s the thing that’s so hard to communicate and have people understand, is this is a service; we’re just providing a service the way parks and rec offers a service, the way other community departments offer services,” said Enamorado. “It’s not cash-driven, it’s not profit-driven. It’s purely to provide a

service and we see what we do as a reciprocal exchange with the city; we’re provided funding to just keep this thing going.”

At most, Enamorado says Stay might be able to hang onto the gallery until January before starting to pack up shop. Should the gallery close, he guaranteed that Stay Arts would still have a presence within the community.

More frustratingly, Enamorado says he’s never been given a reason why support for the gallery seems to have vanished. Canty offered that there was a narrative that “Stay Gallery needs to be fully self-sufficient,” which she argues is a “moot point.”

“We’re a service-based

organization, to fundraise, to collect donations, to find other sources of income. We diversify our streams of income, and being a non-profit, a large aspect of being a nonprofit is partnering with local government, other organizations, foundations; it’s a massive part of why a nonprofit exists, is to fill a void that is not being met in a certain area.

“The argument that we need to be fully self-sufficient off of the services that we’re providing, it doesn’t make sense because the services that were providing are a benefit to the community; they’re not profit driven.”

Enamorado says that if they “have to lose the building, we will,” however Canty added that “the community doesn’t want to lose the space.”

“This is literally the only visual arts space and gallery in the city of Downey,” said Canty. “If you lose that, you’re cutting off so much access to not only Downey residents, but people in neighboring communities who have no access at all in their cities for arts programming.”

Hoping to garner support, the organization has kicked off a “Save Stay” campaign, including an online petition which has already gathered over 1,000 signatures. The gallery also mustered a strong show of support at Tuesday’s council meeting, drawing around 30 speakers on its behalf.

The council agreed to discuss Stay’s funding request at a future meeting.



organization. The city is not our only source of income, we’re not relying fully on the city,” said Canty. “We’re working hard every single day to apply for



Los Angeles to Anaheim Project Section
Virtual Open House Meeting
November 29, 2023

Join us for a virtual open house

Wednesday, November 29, 2023
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
To register, visit: <https://bit.ly/476FdRw>
Spanish, Korean and Tagalog Interpretation will be provided.



The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) continues to advance work to deliver the nation’s first high-speed rail system.

The Los Angeles to Anaheim (LA-A) Project Section is approaching a new milestone, moving closer to connecting Los Angeles and Anaheim to the Central Valley and San Francisco with a one-seat high-speed train ride.

The approximately 33-mile corridor connects Los Angeles Union Station (LAUS) to the Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center (ARTIC) using the existing passenger and freight rail corridor, traveling through:

• Los Angeles	• Pico Rivera	• La Mirada
• Vernon	• Norwalk	• Buena Park
• Commerce	• Santa Fe Springs	• Fullerton
• Bell	• Portions of unincorporated Los Angeles County	• Anaheim
• Montebello		

The Authority recently released a Supplemental Alternatives Analysis (SAA) identifying a new build alternative, the Shared Passenger Track Alternative, to be studied within the environmental document. This alternative is similar to the 2018 High-Speed Rail (HSR) Project Alternative but includes some changes, such as reducing proposed train operating frequency, proposing to retain some at-grade crossings in Anaheim, proposes potential sites for a light maintenance facility, and eliminating the need for a new BNSF Intermodal Facility in San Bernardino County. The Authority is studying possible staging tracks sites in the high-desert area as mitigation for impacts to freight rail during construction and operation of statewide HSR program.

The statewide HSR program and its LA-A Project Section contribute to economic development, a cleaner environment, and job creation; all while investing in regional and local rail lines to meet the State’s 21st century transportation needs.

Join us for a virtual open house on November 29, 2023 to learn about the LA-A SAA, available at <https://bit.ly/3tRDPnk>.

LANGUAGES AND OTHER NEEDS

All requests for reasonable accommodation and/or language services must be made three working days (72 hours) in advance of the scheduled meeting date by calling (877) 669-0494.

The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by the applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by the State of California pursuant to 23 U.S. Code 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated July 23, 2019 and executed by the Federal Railroad Administration and the State of California. Under that MOU, the Authority is the project’s lead agency under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

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EVERYDAY SAFE



Tip prompts are out of control

Tipping before service is rendered defeats its original purpose.

By Tracy Moore

Tracy Moore is a writer in Los Angeles.

I was just leaving a new grab-and-go market in my neighborhood last weekend when the checkout screen suggested I add a tip. With an employee hovering about, I selected 10 percent. In my routine tipping fog, it took a few seconds before I realized that I had handed over an extra \$1.70 on a bag of already marked-up coffee beans.

The moment is a reminder that tipping is now out of control. Gratuity prompts have become so widespread and indiscriminate that a new study from the Pew Research Center shows it is causing mass confusion and frustration. We've been prompted to tip for any counter service for some time now, but nudges are now popping up at self-service kiosks at stadiums, airports and cafes. More is coming: Having new windows installed in your home? Tip it up, America.

Before you call me a cheapskate, I'm not here to criticize or diminish the hard-working folks behind the counter — or the internet's virtual service walls — or anywhere else. I blame the stingy employers that profit by making customers responsible for their refusal to pay a decent wage.

Tipping has always been debated, but we broadly

agreed on its purpose: A gratuity one gives after a service is rendered to reward the human effort and care demonstrably provided, in what is sometimes thought of as low-wage or underpaid work. We tip after the sit-down meal, after admiring our new haircut, after the bartender whips up a drink. We might tip a valet up front to take care of our car, but it is not necessary to do so to receive the service in the first place.

Or at least, it wasn't. It now seems that I can't buy anything without being prompted to tip *before* service is rendered, upending the traditional *why* of tipping. Case in point: food delivery apps, where front-loading a tip is not only customary but necessary for the order to even be picked up. It's a practice now referred to as no tip, no trip. To be clear, you might still receive the food late, cold, wrong, or not at all. But, by then, the tip is out of your hands and in someone else's pocket.

Some ride-hailing apps routinely ask for a tip soon after the trip begins. And some online purchases are turning our virtual carts into tip jars, too. Last week, a friend in Pittsburgh sent me a screenshot of a tip prompt from an Instagram shop after purchasing a cushion for an office chair. The prompt had invited him to "show some support for the team."

I am a lifelong tipper, regardless of the quality of service. I waited tables at Holiday Inn as a teenager and then at various joints in Tennessee to put myself through college. I consider bad tipping a good indicator of sociopathy. Servers are unfairly punished for mishaps far beyond their control, usually the result of a poorly run kitchen.

The easy-to-tap buttons for 10, 15, 20 percent — in Los Angeles, often 30 percent! — have put tipping on

autopilot. It may spare us the awkward math, but it also erases the pause for appreciation. The presence of a watchful employee has turned the act of tipping, even for subpar or no service, into a reflex rather than a reflection. We often tip simply to end the transaction, and businesses bank on that.

Tipping has never been the right solution to unfair compensation. It has a racist and sexist past in which women and marginalized people were long made to bear the brunt of egregiously cheap employers. Studies show it offers little incentive to provide better service, and its continued practice does nothing to encourage employers to pony up and pay a decent wage.

But let there be no confusion about who is at fault here. It is the companies who are betting that hurried consumers will subsidize what employers won't pay themselves. It was the boss who paid me \$2.13 an hour back in the day, with no benefits, and who demanded I share my tips with others so he could avoid paying my co-workers their fair wages, too.

We can thank the pandemic for compelling society to better value the worker, but we will have gone backward if we've moved from tips for service to tips for transactions. (Who gets my 10 percent self-checkout tip, anyway, and for what?) One only need review what some companies say when asked to explain themselves: They point out that the tip prompt is optional.

Well, here's a better option. Employers: Pay your workers a living wage, so that tips become what they should be, an extra thank you for a service provided, not a stand-in for the lack of a fair paycheck itself.

The 6% real estate commission is doomed

A recent court ruling could drastically change how real estate brokers set their fees.

By Stephen Brobeck

Stephen Brobeck is a senior fellow at the Consumer Federation of America.

On Oct. 31, a Kansas City, Missouri, jury ruled that the National Association of Realtors, or NAR, and several residential brokerages engaged in illegal price-fixing and awarded damages to Missouri home sellers that could total more than \$5 billion. This decision has made it highly likely that in the future, the industry will no longer be able to charge 5% to 6% commission rates across the board.

What plaintiffs successfully challenged was the industry requirement that for a home to be listed on a local multiple listing service, sellers must offer compensation to buyer agents. That mandatory offer has allowed industry agents and brokers to collude by setting rates.

Homes listed below the going rate of 2.5% to 3% may not be shown by buyer agents. And buyers do not believe or see a reason that they can negotiate the rate down because

they are told by their agents that sellers typically pay this expense. NAR has said it will appeal the verdict.

During the 1940s, this price-setting was explicit — the industry employed price schedules — but after successful challenges from the Justice Department, the near-uniform commissions were maintained through collusion.

Industry members agreed among themselves to maintain commission levels that are far higher than in most other countries — according to the lawsuit, rates in some other large nations range from 1% to 3%. More significantly, consumers began asking: How can agents justify charging \$25,000 to \$30,000 in commissions on the sale of a \$500,000 home? And why do agents, regardless of their experience, competence or effort on an individual sale, charge the same commission rates?

Litigators and the Justice Department are determined to end this requirement, allowing homebuyers to search for and negotiate lower commission rates. The judge in the Kansas City case is likely to require separation of buyer and listing agent commissions. So is the judge in a similar but much larger Chicago case that goes to trial early next year.

Copycat lawsuits have already been filed, and it is likely that their number will increase. The Justice Department, which is already in litigation with NAR over DOJ access to industry data, recently joined the discussion of a final settlement in the Kansas City case.

It is highly likely that these efforts will increasingly allow

both buyers (and encourage sellers) to comparison shop for and negotiate commission rates. The Consumer Federation of America predicts that this competition would lower rates from 5% to 6% to an average of 3% to 4%, with much greater variation from agent to agent depending on agent competence and experience. This reduction would reduce commissions paid by an estimated \$20 billion to \$30 billion annually.

The industry argues that requiring homebuyers to pay commissions would make it difficult for some to afford homeownership. In reality, effective rate competition would lower — not raise — the cost of buying a home. Today, buyer agent commissions are baked into the sale price of homes, but buyers are unable to comparison shop for and negotiate them. If buyers knew they were paying these commissions, many would look for lower rates, have serious conversations with their agents about compensation and try to negotiate lower commissions.

What remains to be determined is exactly how the transition from price-setting to price competition will take place. Ultimately, the Consumer Federation of America believes, it will end up with buyers being able to finance buyer agent commissions as part of their mortgage. But the resounding jury decision, future class action lawsuits and determined federal regulators virtually ensure that this transition will occur. Increasingly, the residential real estate brokerage marketplace will look like competitive markets for other goods and services, to the great benefit of consumers.

What we can learn from Barbra

Barbra Streisand's memoir reminds us to seek out life's pleasures.

By Holly Thomas

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Barbra Streisand is that rare breed of megastar who transcends time and fashion. She's sold over 150 million records and won eight Grammys, two Oscars, four Emmys and a Tony. Her new memoir, "My Name Is Barbra," is a nearly 1,000-page epic charting her rise from a Brooklyn housing project to a position in 20th-century entertainment rivaled only by Frank Sinatra. Yet in a life defined by overachievement, there's one area in which the 81-year-old feels she's conspicuously failed.

"I haven't had much fun in my life, to tell you the truth," she told the BBC this week. "And I want to have more fun."

This is the legend who kicked off her singing career by winning a talent contest at a gay bar in Greenwich Village. She enjoys pancakes in bed with her husband James Brolin, and her basement contains an entire street of antique "shops" (minus cash registers) to house her treasures. If Barbra's not having fun, who on earth is?

For my money, not nearly enough of us. Remember when the Covid-19 lockdowns hit in 2020, and an exuberant swathe of articles predicted that once the dust had settled, we'd welcome in the Roaring 20s 2.0? That December, Yale professor and social epidemiologist Dr. Nicholas Christakis laid out a post-pandemic vision that could see us "relentlessly seek out social interactions," including "sexual licentiousness," liberal spending and a "reverse of religiosity."

I don't know about you, but on the rare occasions it stops raining long enough to venture outside and take the temperature of the populace, I'm not met with hordes of youths channeling their disillusionment with some 21st-century equivalent of the Charleston.

I see streets lined with posters protesting a laundry list of appalling global conflicts, trains and buses rammed with passengers frenetically scanning their phones and bars crammed with over-30s because no one younger can afford a drink. Depression rates are soaring, sexual activity is on the decline and stressed, unhappy workers are mentally checking out. The mood is dark, and the overwhelming majority, who aren't multimillionaire octogenarians, face it with a distinct financial handicap.

Where are we going wrong? The ambient gaiety a century ago was sufficient to label an entire decade after it, despite all manner of horrors. The year 1920 dawned amid a major recession. World War I — not to mention the Spanish flu pandemic — had left deep physical and psychological scars, and racism had such a grip on major parts of the United States that hooded Klansmen marched through Washington in 1925.

But, for some people at least, it seems the weight of tragedy only reinforced the feeling that life and its fleeting pleasures ought to be seized with greater urgency. America's youth kicked up its heels, embraced the intoxicating rhythms of the Jazz Age and swigged bootlegged gin. The dance craze that swept Britain was so intense that it prompted London's Piccadilly Hotel to ban the Charleston out of moral panic. Now though, faced with comparably daunting socioeconomic and political convulsions, we appear to be buckling. Why?

There's one obvious difference. In 1920, the median age of an American was 25.3. In 2020, it was 38.8 and in 2022, it was 38.9. The demographic of US adults aged 65 and older grew nearly five times faster than the population as a whole between 1920 and 2020. Fun doesn't (and shouldn't) belong only to the young. But older populations tend to come with hefty financial and social pressures.

They demand more of health care systems, and of younger family members who must step up when those fall short. Older people tend to live in homes that are bigger than they need squeezing out younger families, and raise the cost of housing overall. This is undoubtedly challenging. I don't think it wholly accounts for our fun drought, though.

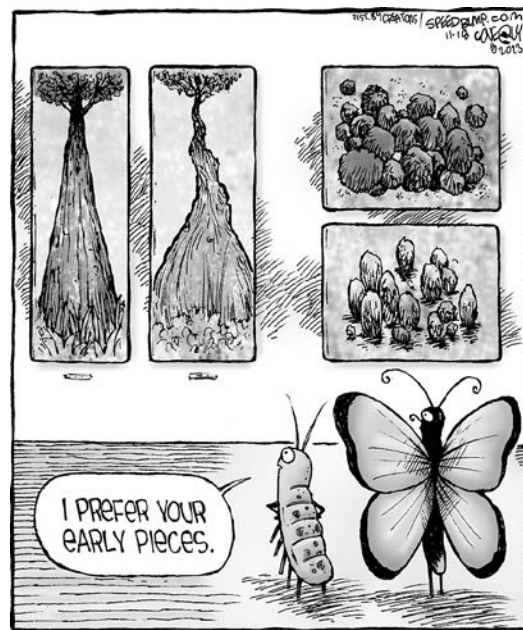
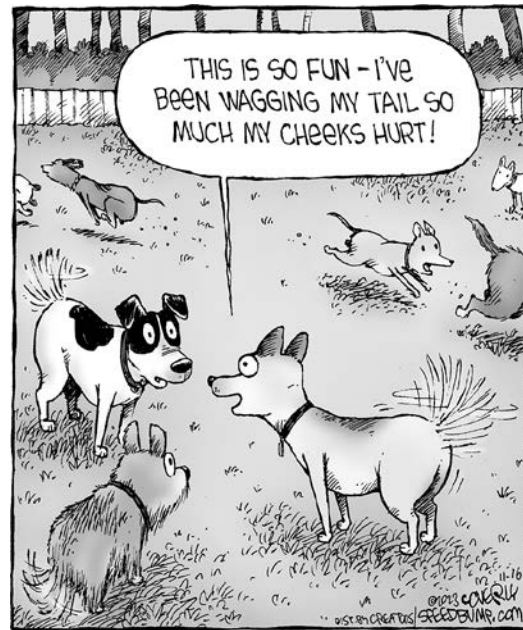
While money and space can certainly be conducive to amusement, as Streisand demonstrates, they're not the magic sauce. I think the difference is that we, and the world, feel more fragile than we ever have before. After World War I, there was a widespread belief that such a bloody conflict could never be sanctioned again. That faith has long since been lost.

As if that isn't downer enough, arguably the greatest challenge facing us is the climate crisis, which, by its very nature, quashes any potential buoyancy. It's a forever problem, one we know we'll be dealing with for the rest of our lives. Managing it necessitates constant incremental efforts (minimizing waste, cutting down travel), rather than intense but transient demonstrations of courage or discipline.

This, plus the more individualized stressors of work, mental illness and the rest, requires stamina to cope. Blowing off steam 1920s-style feels harder to legitimize when we're all acutely aware of the adverse effects of booze, cigarettes and under-sleeping. Instead, the 21st-century obsession is self-care. And while no one's arguing the benefits of hydration and a solid eight hours, neither offers the high of a night spent dancing with abandon.

So, is all hope lost? Should we resign ourselves to lives bereft of carefree joy? I think not. I say we take a leaf out of Streisand's gigantic book and make a conscious effort to inject some old-fashioned fun into our lives. This needn't translate to being soused 24/7, but there's no harm in anyone of any age upending their carefully polished routine once in a while if a tantalizing opportunity arises. And according to Christakis' prediction, the Roaring 2020s aren't expected to kick off properly until 2024. Here's looking at you, January.

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Norwalk Community Calendar

MONDAYS

1st Mon., 6 pm - Public Safety meetings - Council Chambers
2nd Mon., 7 pm - Relay for Life meetings - Mr. Rosewood Family Restaurant

TUESDAYS

9:00 a.m. - 1 pm - Farmers Market - Norwalk City Hall
1st & 3rd Tues., 6 pm - Toastmasters Meetings - Registrar Recorder/County Clerks Office
1st & 3rd Tues., 6 pm - City Council - Council Chambers
3rd Tues., 5:45 pm - Housing Authority - Council Chambers

WEDNESDAYS

1st & 3rd Wed., 7 pm - Lions Club - Bruce's Restaurant
2nd Wed., 10:30 am - Norwalk Woman's Club - Faith Church
2nd & 4th Wed., 1:30 pm - Alondra Senior Citizens - Social Services Center
2nd & 4th Wed., 6 pm - Soroptimist International - Via Zoom
2nd & 4th Wed., 7:30 pm - Planning Commission - Council Chambers
4th Wed., 11:30 am - Coordinating Council - Arts & Sports Complex

THURSDAYS

7 pm - Boy Scouts Troop 924 - Norwalk United Methodist Church
2nd Thurs., 6 pm - 605 Kiwanis Club - Mr. Rosewood Family Restaurant
2nd Thurs., 7 pm - American Legion Post No. 359 - 11986 Front St.
2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm - Golden Trowel - Norwalk Masonic Lodge

SATURDAYS

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Farmers Market - Norwalk City Hall

SUNDAYS

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Food Pantry - 12201 Firestone Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650

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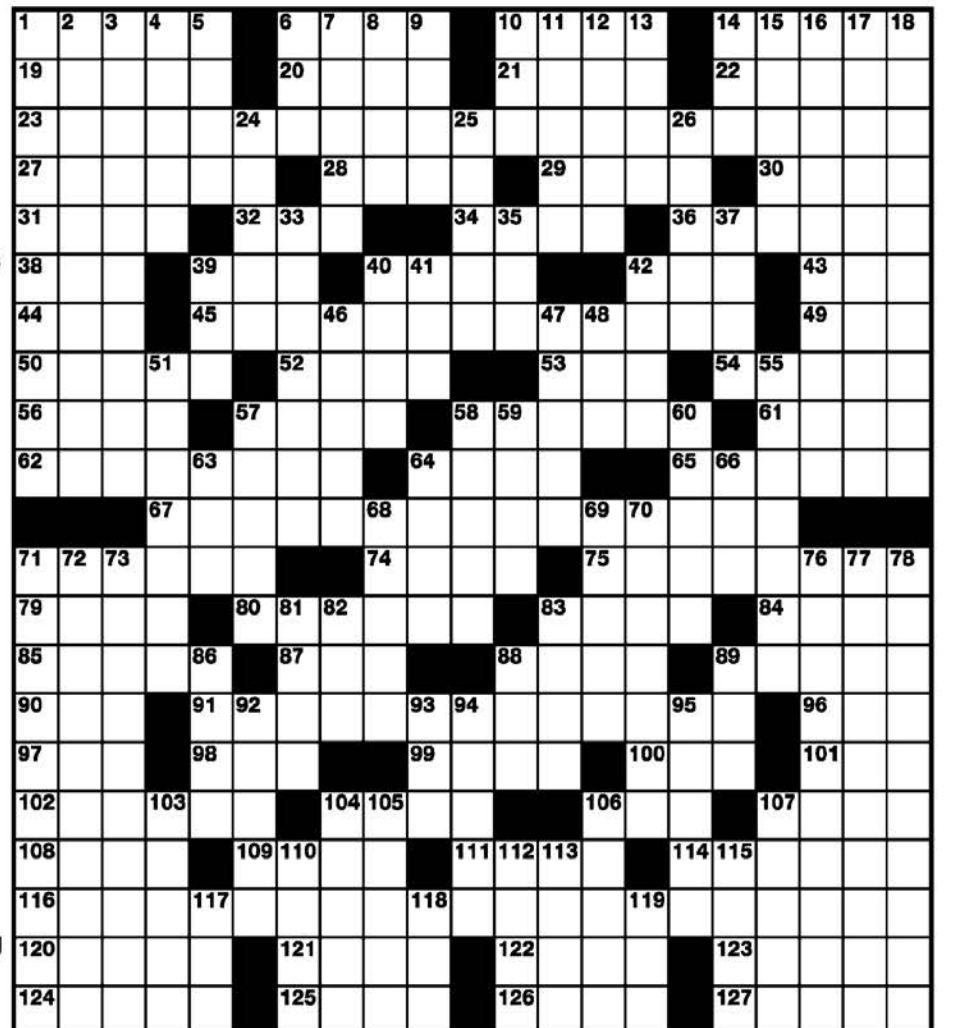
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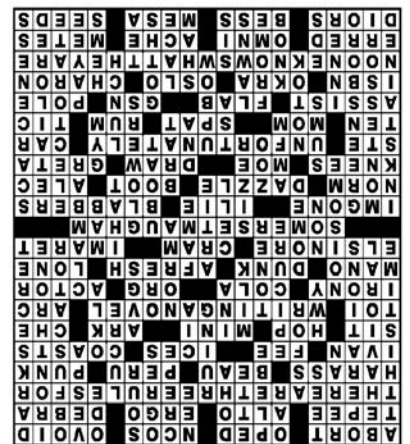
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 - 89 Climate activist
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The following person(s) is/are doing business as: V&M MULTI SERVICES, 15324 PARTHENIA ST, NORTH HILLS, CA 91343 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: 8634 COLUMBUS AVENUE 201, NORTH HILLS, CA 91343. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: MARTA LETICIA GONZALEZ, 8634 COLUMBUS AVENUE 201, NORTH HILLS, CA 91343. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: MARTA LETICIA GONZALEZ, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 01/21/202. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/27/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1186976.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023233548

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: RAPID GLASS WINDOW, 2419 1/2 BOULDER ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90033 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JOSE ALBERTO GONZALEZ MUNOZ, 2439 1/2 BOULDER ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90033. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JOSE ALBERTO GONZALEZ MUNOZ, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188380.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023233314

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: MIXIE ARTISTS, 8335 SUNSET BOULEVARD #200, LOS ANGELES, CA 90069 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: 5404003. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: ERIKA MONROE

INC, 8335 SUNSET BLVD SUITE 200, LOS ANGELES, CA 90069 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CA). This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: ERIKA MONROE, PRESIDENT. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/27/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1187009.

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The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 5 STAR CRAFTS, 41042 159TH ST E., LANCASTER, CA 93535 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: MARIA GUTIERREZ, 41042 159TH ST E., LANCASTER, CA 93535. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: MARIA GUTIERREZ, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/27/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1187034.

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The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1. LOST HILL PHOTO, 2. LAWRENCE HALL PHOTO, 27502 WARRIOR DRIVE, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: 201631010042. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: CHARLIE BOY PRODUCTIONS, LLC, 27502 WARRIOR DRIVE, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CA). This business is conducted by: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: BRANDON SHYPKOWSKI, CEO. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business names listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188263.

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The following person(s) is/are doing business as: MANI ART, 4235 ARCH DR, 102, STUDIO CITY, CA 91604 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: MANI ART, LLC, 4235 ARCH DR, 102, STUDIO CITY, CA 91604 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CA). This business is conducted by: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: YULIYA KARALENKA, MANAGER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188338.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023233526

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: COLE & SONS TRUCKING, 839 W, 102ND ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90044 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: KENYATTA COLE, 839 W, 102ND ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90044. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: KENYATTA COLE, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188380.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235628

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: COPARTNERS. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JORGE A. RONQUILLO, GENERAL PARTNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 03/20/2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188384.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235928

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: PROM TIME ELECTRICIANS, 9315 NARROWS DRIVE., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660 LOS ANGELED. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JOSE RAMON MARTINEZ, 9315 NARROWS DRIVE., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660.

It was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188383.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235662

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1. CONJUUNTO AZABACHE, 2. CONJUNTO AS, 3. CONJUNTO JOBE, 4. CONJUNTO AZBCHC, 5. CABALLO NEGRO, 6. EL NORTENO ROMANTICO, 7. CONJUNTO AZ, 11761 CHIVERS AVE, PACOIMA, CA 91331 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JORGE A. RONQUILLO, 11761 CHIVERS AVE, PACOIMA, CA 91331, SERENIC P. ROMERO, 11761 CHIVERS AVE, PACOIMA, CA 91331. This business is conducted by: COPARTNERS. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JORGE A. RONQUILLO, GENERAL PARTNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 03/20/2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188384.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235660

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: ONTRAK REAL ESTATE, 14522 WHITTIER BLVD, WHITTIER, CA 90605 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: MANUEL FIERROS, 14522 WHITTIER BLVD, WHITTIER, CA 90605. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: MANUEL FIERROS, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188385.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME 2023235559

The following person(s) has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name(s): ONTRAK REAL ESTATE, 14522 WHITTIER BLVD, WHITTIER, CA 90605 LOS ANGELES. The fictitious business name(s) referred to above was filed on: 20191534449 in the County of Los Angeles. Original File No. JUNE 04, 2019. Full name of Registrant(s): CARLOS CROCKETT, 7700 IRVINE CENTER DR STE 400, IRVINE CA 92618. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: CARLOS FERNANDO MALDONADO, OWNER. This statement was filed on: 10/31/2023. Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188386.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235682

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: JESUS SELLS CARS, 5923 CORONA AVE APT E, HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JESUS GARAY, 5923 CORONA AVE APT E, HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JESUS GARAY, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188475.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235755

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: WILLIAM'S CLOTHING ETC., 1233 E 142ND ST, COMPTON, CA 90222 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: VERONICA TAYLOR, 1233 E 142ND ST, COMPTON, CA 90222. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: VERONICA TAYLOR, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188477.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235760

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1. GETTING TO THE SHUN, 2. L AND T CONSOALATION GROUP, 301 E 119ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90059 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: TERENNA MARIE TAYLOR, 1628 WEST 218TH STREET APT 9, TORRANCE, CA 90501, LEIGHTON COROTHERS, 832 E. 119ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90059. This business is conducted by: GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: TERENNA MARIE TAYLOR, GENERAL PARTNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188479.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235928

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: PROM TIME ELECTRICIANS, 9315 NARROWS DRIVE., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660 LOS ANGELED. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JOSE RAMON MARTINEZ, 9315 NARROWS DRIVE., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660.

This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JOSE RAMON MARTINEZ, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188480.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023235960

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: CALLES TRUCKING, 1438 W SUMMIT ST, APT 1, LONG BEACH, CA 90810 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JOSE MOISES CALLES, 1438 W SUMMIT ST APT 1, LONG BEACH, CA 90810. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JOSE MOISES CALLES, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 10/31/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/03/2023, 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1188481.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023234553
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) TEXTKEVIN. COM ACCIDENT ATTORNEYS (2) CROCKETT LAW GROUP (3) CROCKETT ATTORNEYS (4) TEXT KEVIN ACCIDENT ATTORNEYS, 12440 FIRESTONE BLVD STE 3025-A, NORWALK CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 7700 IRVINE CENTER DR STE 400, IRVINE CA 92618

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) KEVIN CROCKETT, 7700 IRVINE CENTER DR STE 400, IRVINE CA 92618 (2) CRAIG CROCKETT, 7700 IRVINE CENTER DR STE 400, IRVINE CA 92618
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Partnership
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

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 fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/KEVIN CROCKETT, GENERAL PARTNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 30, 2023 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023218038

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: S.W. ENTERPRISE, 16805 E.

name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: ARA HAKOB, 593 ESSEX DR., COMPLEX CA 93552. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: ARA HAKOB, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business names listed above on (date): 10/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189123.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023237594

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: SIMPLY MOORE, 145 E. BORT ST., LONG BEACH, CA 90805 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: VANESIA MOORE, 145 E. BORT ST., LONG BEACH, CA 90805. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: VANESIA MOORE, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189074.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023237621

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Q4 ACTIVE, 6200 VARIEL AVE #2A, WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: 201915610107. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: DELLA MENTE WELLNESS, LLC, 23901 BERDON ST., WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CA). This business is conducted by: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: PHILIP SWAIN, MANAGING MEMBER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 03/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189075.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023237599

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: ARIANA MIDDLEMAN PHYSICAL THERAPY, 5312 LAKE LINDERO, AGOURA HILLS, CA 91301 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: ARIANA MIDDLEMAN, 5312 LAKE LINDERO, AGOURA HILLS, CA 91301. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: ARIANA MIDDLEMAN, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189078.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023240644

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1. REGIONAL REAL ESTATE, 2. SANCO HOME LOANS, 3. LOANS 4 HEROES, 4. ELITE REAL ESTATE, 100 N CITRUS ST, SUITE 320, WEST COVINA, CA 91791 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: 3664457. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: SANCO INVESTMENTS INC, 100 N CITRUS ST, SUITE 320, WEST COVINA, CA 91791 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA). This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: ALEX FELIX SANCHEZ, PRESIDENT. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business names listed above on (date): 01/17/53. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/07/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189094.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023237808

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: TOMMY HARPER PRODUCTIONS, 10342 DUNLEER DR., LOS ANGELES, CA 90064 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: 3301004. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: POP ROCKS, INC., 10342 DUNLEER DR., LOS ANGELES, CA 90064 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA). This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: MICHELLE HARPER, SECRETARY. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189125.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023237836

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: HUSTLE HAIR STUDIO, 43644 10TH ST WEST, LANCASTER, CA 93534 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JIMMY CUEVAS, 6984 BIRCH ST, ROSAMOND, CA 93560. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JIMMY CUEVAS, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above

on (date): N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189135.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023238104

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: THE WORLD OURS LLC, 6113 8TH AVE APT 26, LOS ANGELES, CA 90043 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: THE WORLD OURS LLC, 6113 8TH AVE APT 26, LOS ANGELES, CA 90043 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CA). This business is conducted by: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JERMAINE WASHINGTON, PRESIDENT. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189196.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023238162

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: J R FITNESS INSTALLS, 2451 OHIO AVE, SOUTH GATE, CA 90280 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JOEL PRECIADO, 2451 OHIO AVE, SOUTH GATE, CA 90280. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JOEL PRECIADO, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 11/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/03/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189219.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023238229

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: NOEMA'S CREATIONS, 5430 ROSEMEAD BLVD APT 3, PICO RIVERA, CA 90660 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: NOEMA ALVAREZ, 5430 ROSEMEAD BLVD APT 3, PICO RIVERA, CA 90660. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: NOEMA ALVAREZ, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 11/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/03/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189229.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023238807

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: THE FOLLOWING FINANCIAL CONSULTANT, 20115 LANRK ST, WINNETKA, CA 91306 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: IRSHAD A DAMDA, 20115 LANARK ST., WINNETKA, CA 91306. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: IRSHAD A DAMDA, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 01/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/03/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189370.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023238909

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: K PROPERTIES, 9310 LUBEC ST, DOWNEY, CA 90240 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: SAFA E KADDIS, 9310 LUBEC ST, DOWNEY, CA 90240. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: SAFA E KADDIS, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 03/20/13. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/03/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189396.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023238987

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1. WAY UP HIGH, 2. WAY UP HIGH PRODUCTIONS, 4966 ELK RIDGE DR, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: TAYLOR YARBER-SMITH, 4966 ELK RIDGE DR, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, ELK RIDGE DR, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: TAYLOR YARBER-SMITH, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business names listed above on (date): 10/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189397.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023239022

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1. EXCELLENCE REAL ESTATE, 2. PLATINUM

REAL ESTATE, 3. THE AMODEO TEAM, 4. LINCOLN PLAZA REALTY, 5. PLATINUM REAL ESTATE AND INVESTMENTS, 6. BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS REAL ESTATE INTELLIGENCE, 7. EXCELLENCE MORTGAGE BROKERS, 14625 WHITTIER BLVD, WHITTIER, CA 90605 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: ANTHONY A. AMODEO II, 16103 LISCO ST, WHITTIER, CA 90603. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: ANTHONY A. AMODEO II, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business names listed above on (date): 01/20/07. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/06/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189400.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023239081

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: SIERRA TECHNOLOGY SERVICES, 1029 E LEMON AVE, MONROVIA, CA 91016 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JING CHEN, 1029 E LEMON AVE, MONROVIA, CA 91026. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JING CHEN, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 11/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/06/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189403.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023239109

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: LIFE SKILLS TU BIENESTAR, 11820 ZEPEDA NGUYEN, 13330 BLOOMFIELD AVE STE 102 PMB 133, NORWALK CA 90650. State of Incorporation: CA. This BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 10/20/23. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: ARACELI GOMEZ, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 01/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/06/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1189405.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023240583

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: ROCKSTAR TILE ART & FLOORING, 812 CORIANDER DRIVE UNIT D, TORRANCE, CA 90502 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: ROCKSTAR TILE ART & FLOORING, 812 CORIANDER DRIVE UNIT D, TORRANCE, CA 90502 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CA). This business is conducted by: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: MICHAEL WAYNE LEE, MANAGER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/07/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1190670.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023241042

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1. WIRELESS DEL SOL, 2. IMPERIO WIRELESS, 15031 MULBERRY DR, WHITTIER, CA 90604 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: MARIA DEL SOL TAMBARE PEREYRA, 15031 MULBERRY DR, WHITTIER, CA 90604. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: MARIA DEL SOL TAMBARE PEREYRA, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business names listed above on (date): 01/19/96. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1190756.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023241172

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: 1. BAYOU BRASS BAND, 2. JAM SESSION ENTERTAINMENT, 16003 RIDGEVIEW LN, LA MIRADA, CA 90638 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: JESUS MARTINEZ, 16003 RIDGEVIEW LN, LA MIRADA, CA 90638. This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: JESUS MARTINEZ, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business names listed above on (date): 01/19/96. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/02/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1190810.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023241280

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: GRACE, 6266 WESTERN AVE, WHITTIER, CA 90601 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: MICHELLE HERNANDEZ, 6266 WESTERN AVE, WHITTIER, CA 90601 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA). This business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed:

MICHELLE HERNANDEZ, OWNER. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 11/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/07/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1190812.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023241524

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: BLISS RECOVERY, 17222 GOYA ST, GRANADA HILLS, CA 91344 LOS ANGELES. Mailing address if different: N/A. The full name(s) of registrant(s) is/are: EHG ENTERPRISES INC, 17222 GOYA ST, GRANADA HILLS, CA 91344 (State of Incorporation/Organization: CA). This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) Signed: CEO, GARNIK PAPAIZIAN. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on (date): 10/20/23. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date) 11/08/2023. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code). Publish: 11/10/2023, 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023. THE NORWALK PATRIOT. AAA1190911.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20232420351

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MINDFUL THERAPY WITH SARAH, 12143 CYCLOPS ST., NORWALK CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 13330 BLOOMFIELD AVE, STE 102 PMB 133, NORWALK CA 90650

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SARAH ZEPEDA-NGUYEN, 13330 BLOOMFIELD AVE STE 102 PMB 133, NORWALK CA 90650

State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 10/20/23

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 fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/SARAH ZEPEDA-NGUYEN, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 10, 2023 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Norwalk Patriot 11/3/23, 11/10/23, 11/17/23, 11/24/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023246302

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ELEVATE YOURSELF CONSULTING, 11039 DUANE STREET, NORWALK CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ANGELA MACIEL, 11039 DUANE STREET, NORWALK CA 90650

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: 01/20/23

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 fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/ANGELA MACIEL, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 15, 2023

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Norwalk Patriot 11/17/23, 11/24/23, 12/1/23, 12/8/23

GOVERNMENT

CITY OF NORWALK PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Norwalk is inviting Social Service Agencies and/or interested non-profit groups who provide support services to residents of the City of Norwalk to submit applications for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Applications are available on the City of Norwalk website at: <https://www.norwalk.org/city-hall/departments/finance/purchasing/city-of-norwalk-planet/bids-open-bids-and-tips>, and also at Norwalk City Hall - CDBG, 12700 Norwalk Blvd, Room 12, Norwalk, CA 90

Arraignment delayed for man charged in crash that killed sheriff's recruit

■ Nicholas Gutierrez faces up to 12 years in prison after killing a sheriff's deputy recruit last year.

By City News Service

WHITTIER — Arraignment was delayed Tuesday for a Diamond Bar man who is facing 10 felony counts and a misdemeanor for allegedly striking a group of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department recruits in the Whittier area last November, including one who died earlier this year from his injuries.

Nicholas Joseph Gutierrez, 23, is charged with one felony count of vehicular manslaughter with gross negligence and nine counts of reckless driving causing great bodily injury stemming from the Nov. 16, 2022, crash, according to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

Gutierrez also faces a misdemeanor county of vehicular manslaughter without gross negligence. His arraignment had been set for Tuesday in Bellflower, but since he is out of custody, the matter was delayed and no new date was immediately set.

Gutierrez was initially arrested hours after the crash and booked on suspicion of attempted murder of a peace officer, but was released a day later, with sheriff's officials saying the complex case needed more extensive investigation.

Gutierrez was re-arrested last Thursday by the California Highway Patrol and released



Nicholas Gutierrez crashed his vehicle into a group of sheriff's recruits, killing one man. (Getty Images)

on \$500,000 bond within less than two hours, according to the sheriff's Inmate Information Center website.

The charges carry a maximum potential state prison term of 12 years, according to District Attorney George Gascón.

The case stems from a crash that occurred around 6:30 a.m. Nov. 16, 2022, in the 10600 block of Mills Avenue, near Telegraph Road, just blocks from the sheriff's STAR Explorer Academy law enforcement training center in Whittier.

A group of about 75 law enforcement trainees were on an organized run heading north when a southbound 2018 Honda CRV swerved to the opposite side of the street and plowed into the recruits, leaving a trail of injured

bodies.

The crash injured 25 recruits, sheriff's officials said at the time.

One of them, Alejandro Martinez, a 27-year-old veteran and graduate of Cal State Northridge, died July 28 at Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center in Westwood as a result of his injuries.

Gascón told reporters that "tragedy struck" during what should have been a routine training run for Academy Class 464 "as a driver in a moment of reckless disregard" veered onto the wrong side of the street, resulting in the "catastrophic collision."

Gutierrez told reporters in 2022 that he fell asleep at the wheel.

When asked about the cause of the crash, Deputy

District Attorney Michael Blake told reporters that "there are multiple causes in a chain of events that led to that."

"There is a claim of drowsiness that we've been exploring," Blake said. "This has been an exhaustive investigation that began after reviewing all of this with the possibility that this was an intentional act and eventually we've discovered that this is the appropriate charge -- felony gross vehicular manslaughter -- and the other charges that you heard about."

The prosecutor noted that he didn't want to disclose too much about the evidence, but said that "one of the theories involved among the other theories (is) a claim that he fell asleep at the moment of impact."

Sheriff Robert Luna told reporters last week that the charges are a "step towards justice for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Deputy Alejandro Martinez and his family and all the members of Academy Class 464 who were injured and affected by this individual who struck them" while they were on a training run.

"This man was a true hero," Luna said of Martinez, who had served his country and also been an elementary after-school coordinator and soccer coach at a local neighborhood park.

Luna said that there are "several other recruits who are still recovering from their injuries as we speak today" and that some are not going to realize their dream of becoming police officers or sheriff's deputies.

The case was filed after a lengthy investigation by the CHP's Southern Division Multidisciplinary Accident Investigation Team and detectives from the sheriff's Homicide Bureau that "took a substantial amount of time because of its complexity" and "encompassed numerous interviews" and a detailed analysis of evidence, Luna told reporters.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn issued a statement last Thursday reacting to the charges, saying, "What happened to recruit class #464 on their morning run last year was a terrible tragedy that took the life of Alejandro Martinez and forever altered

the lives of his fellow recruits. While it won't bring Alejandro back, it is important that the driver be held accountable, and these charges are the first step. I appreciate our sheriff's detectives and the District Attorney's Office for their dedication to pursuing justice in this case."

LEGALS

The last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 888-264-4010, or visit this internet website www.ndscorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 23-20064-SP-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as a "representative of all eligible tenant buyers" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this "priority" right to purchase. Pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code, the potential rights described herein shall apply only to public auctions taking place on or after January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2025, unless later extended. Date: 11/10/2023 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany and Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 820 San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 714-730-2727. Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com - Connie Hernandez, Trustee Sales Representative A-4801871 11/17/2023, 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023

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Hard Rock Hotel to open in Long Beach

Construction on a 31-story Hard Rock Hotel is anticipated to start next summer.

By City News Service

LONG BEACH – Long Beach will soon get a major addition to its skyline, with a 31-story Hard Rock Hotel planned for the corner of Ocean Boulevard and Pine Avenue, officials announced.

“Long Beach boasts an incredible mix of hotels in our downtown area. The addition of Hard Rock Hotel raises our game by bringing an internationally recognized brand to our city,” Mayor Rex Richardson said in announcing the project Monday. “It also helps showcase our city’s rich history in the music world, something we can continue to capitalize on in the future as we work to cultivate more arts and entertainment venues and events in Long Beach.”

The mixed use, glass tower will have 429 rooms, 50,000-square-feet of dining and meeting space, an outdoor pool with a view of Rainbow Harbor, three-story atrium and outdoor, rooftop bar and lounge on its 31st floor, making it the highest outdoor bar on the West Coast, city officials said.

Construction is scheduled to begin in summer 2024 and take about three years.

“It’s another pivotal project for downtown Long Beach since it further raises awareness of Long Beach with a brand like Hard Rock,” said Steve Goodling, president and CEO of the Long Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau. “The additional 429 hotel rooms are going to permit Long Beach to pursue larger conventions that previously would not have been able to come to the city.”

“This will be such a

perfect addition to the city,” Goodling added. “The tower is beautifully designed, with a three-story atrium overlooking Pine Avenue and Ocean Boulevard. It reminds me of the hotels in New York that overlook Times Square. It’s going to add an additional element of sophistication and coolness to the downtown area.”

City officials said it will be the first major hotel construction in downtown Long Beach in more than 30 years.

The hotel will be constructed on a 36,526-square-foot plot located at 100 E. Ocean Blvd. Gregory Steinhauer, president of Steinhauer Properties, the project’s developer, said there are plans to incorporate the historic Jergins Tunnel, which lies under the property, into the hotel and redevelop it as a small speakeasy venue.



A new Hard Rock Hotel will be built along the Long Beach shoreline.

Trial begins in La Habra DUI case

Prosecutors charged Scott Hisaka with second-degree murder after he killed a man in a DUI collision.

By City News Service

LA HABRA – A 33-year-old man was more than twice the legal limit for drinking and driving and had Ecstasy in his system when his car T-boned another car at a La Habra intersection, killing a 24-year-old man on his way home from visiting his girlfriend, a prosecutor told jurors Monday.

Scott Seiji Hisaka is charged with second-degree murder in the Sept. 20, 2018, fatal crash that killed Jacob Eddy Farrand.

Hisaka’s attorney,

Scott Hisaka was allegedly under the influence when he ran a red light and killed another motorist in La Habra.



Cameron Talley, chose not to make an opening statement Monday, reserving that right to later in the trial.

Hisaka guzzled down Fireball whiskey in his 2018

Toyota Corolla that evening before driving to a nearby 7-Eleven convenience store to get two cans of Four Loko malt liquor, according to Deputy District Attorney Devin

Campbell. The defendant drove back to his apartment complex, parked in the lot and continued drinking, Campbell said.

Then Hisaka hit the road again and was “gutting it down Harbor Boulevard,” Campbell said. He was going faster than 70 mph in a 35 mph zone, the prosecutor added.

When he got to La Habra and Harbor boulevards he flashed through a red light, where he slammed into Farrand’s 2006 Toyota Prius about 2:30 a.m., Campbell said.

“The defendant reached 77 mph just seconds before colliding into the side of Jacob Farrand’s vehicle. Jacob never had a chance,” Campbell said.

Multiple witnesses called first responders, who arrived on scene and pronounced Farrand dead, Campbell said.

Hisaka, who had cut his tongue in the crash, was taken to an area hospital, where a blood test showed his blood-alcohol content was .20, more than twice the legal limit of .08, Campbell said.

“An hour later it was .19,” Campbell said.

“He never once touched the brake pedal, not even a tap”

before the crash, Campbell said.

“What’s worse yet is he also had Ecstasy in his system,” Campbell said. “And this was not defendant’s first run-in with the law or his first example with alcohol or crashing his car. It wasn’t even his first example of driving under the influence.”

Hisaka was arrested in November 2008 on suspicion of driving under the influence in Concord, California, but he wasn’t charged, Campbell said. He told an officer then that he was a “dumb ass for doing that,” because a friend’s brother died in a DUI crash, the prosecutor added.

On June 25, 2018, Hisaka was arrested in Costa Mesa after he passed out behind the wheel with a blood-alcohol level of .17, Campbell said. He was charged in that case on July 24, 2018, and struck a plea deal in the case and, as a result, signed a form on Sept. 5, 2018, with an advisory that he could face an upgraded charge from manslaughter to murder if he were involved in a DUI crash, Campbell said.

“Defendant made a lot of choices that night,” Campbell said. “Choices that led to a 24-year-old man’s life drastically cut short.”

La Habra Officer Nicole Voss, who was one of the first on scene of the crash, testified about how Hisaka kept repeating “I’m good, I’m good” as the officers attempted to coax him out of his car. A body-worn video from Voss showed Hisaka, with blood spattered on his chest, stumbling out of the wrecked car.

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