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## Hire a Veteran Day a Big Success



The career fair event put on by PRIDE Industries for the National Hire a Veteran Day on July 25 was successful, according to organizers. Photo courtesy PRIDE Industries

By Omella Rossi

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - PRIDE Industries celebrated National Hire a Veteran Day on July 25, with a special recruiting event at their Career Hub, located at 7011 Sylvan Road. Running from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the event connected military veterans with job opportunities across a broad spectrum of roles.

The event was highlighted by a significant milestone: a signing ceremony marking a new partnership with the U.S. Army through the Partnership for Your Success (PaYS) Program. The program provides soldiers with employment opportunities as



Captain Saif S. Hassan and Tim Young, Vice President of Talent Management, hold a sword as they cut the cake to commemorate the new partnership with the U.S. Army. Photo courtesy PRIDE Industries

they transition from military to civilian life. The signing ceremony underscored PRIDE Industries' commitment to helping military veterans, regardless of their abilities, find meaningful employment.

"We would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to PRIDE Industries as a new Partnership for Your Success partner," said Antonio Johnson Jr., Partnership for Your Success program manager. "The U.S. Army is a reliable recruitment source for businesses with an endless pool of qualified talent, and we're pleased that PRIDE Industries is committed to helping soldiers find employment after military service."

PRIDE Industries President and CEO Jeff Dern echoed this sentiment.

"We recognize the immense value that veterans bring to our workforce," Dern said.

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**Best of Citrus Heights Voting Begins Aug. 6**



By Carol Feineman

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - It takes just a click of the button to show your appreciation for your favorite Citrus Heights businesses, places and organizations in more than 40 categories.

That's by voting in the fast-approaching 19th annual Best of Citrus Heights presented by the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce and the Citrus Heights Messenger.

Categories range from Best Accounting and Tax Services to Best Community Association to Best Entertainment Venue to Best Restaurant to Best Veterinarian and Pet Services to Best Waste Collective Services.

All chamber members are automatically nominated in the various categories, including those that fall outside of the Citrus Heights city limits. This week, non-chamber members were nominated by community members if the businesses are within city limits.

Voting runs from Aug. 6 (next Tuesday) to Sept. 5 online only through a third party at [bestofcitrusheights.org](http://bestofcitrusheights.org). There is no ballot stuffing allowed; one vote per category per person is enforced. Since IP addresses will be tracked, those in the same household cannot use the same computer, tablet, phone or shared network.

Winners will be announced at the annual Best of Citrus Heights awards dinner on Sept. 19 and then online on Sept. 20. The winners will be showcased in the Citrus Heights Messenger newspaper the following week.

"We are looking forward to celebrating our business community at our Best of Citrus Heights Sept. 19 event," said Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce executive director Sheri Merrick. "We hope the community will come out and support local. As the Citrus Heights chamber, we love to support all businesses so please be sure to love local."

The 19th annual Best of Citrus Heights awards dinner will be from 5:30

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## Time to Strike Up the Band

Story and photos by Thomas J. Sullivan

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - It's a busy time of the year for Tague Band Instrument Services in Citrus Heights as its four repair technicians and owner Kris Tague inspect, service and repair more than 1,200 brass band instruments to get them ready for the start of a new school year.

Inside Tague's shop at 8091 Greenback Lane in Suites H and I in the Greenfair Plaza, a busy workday began to take shape.

Tague and his four service technicians arrived before 8 a.m. with plenty of brass to polish, valves to adjust and replacement pads to install before the store opens at 10 a.m.

The front lobby and adjacent storage racks were filled with cases of school band instruments



Guitar technician Jacob Koss restrings an acoustic guitar recently brought in for service.

of all types, each tagged and ready for service, with many more in a storage unit, Tague said.

The deep sound of a baritone saxophone punctuated the quiet air as

its valves and pads were examined by a tech completed a final service inspection.

Band students from about 40 schools in the Roseville Joint Unified

School District, San Juan Unified School District, Twin Rivers Unified School District, and Folsom Cordova Unified, to name a few, rely on

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# PAWS Mobile Clinic: Lifeline for Pets of Unhoused

**Sacramento County News Release**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)**

- Sacramento County's Bradshaw Animal Shelter and its dedicated team are making remarkable strides in improving the lives of pets and their unhoused owners. Through the innovative Pet Aid & Wellness Services (PAWS) Mobile Clinic, led by veterinarian Dr. Cynthia Metcalf, and an extensive network of community partners, they are providing much-needed veterinary care, resources and support to a vulnerable population that needs it most.

Recently, Pet Aid & Wellness Services received a generous \$100,000 grant from UC Davis California for All Animals. This funding is specifically aimed at enhancing access to veterinary care for pets of the unhoused, covering critical resources that will significantly enhance the program's reach and services.



**Pet Aid & Wellness Services (PAWS) Mobile Clinic has made an effort to care for the pets of the unhoused.** Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

met him," said Bellamy's owner Elizabeth. "We connected right away. Though he was really shy for a long time, we've become very close. His favorite things are kisses and walks in nature at sunrise, and he's such an amazing friend who brings me so much comfort and strength."

Elizabeth, who has been unhoused for more than a year, shared how Pet Aid & Wellness Services has been a lifeline for her and Bellamy. Despite her challenges, she continues to support herself by teaching online English lessons and remains devoted to Bellamy, her loyal companion.

Pet Aid & Wellness Services' success and success stories like Bellamy's wouldn't be possible without partners like California for All Animals and Mercy Pet Hospital. These collaborations have been pivotal in extending the clinic's reach and effectiveness.

In partnership with the Department of Homeless Services and Housing, Pet Aid & Wellness Services also distributes water to the unhoused and their pets, ensuring hydration and well-being during Sacramento's hot summer months. Water for pet owners is available at all Pet Aid & Wellness Services mobile events. This initiative will continue throughout the next year.

The Bradshaw Animal Shelter and the Pet Aid & Wellness Services team continue to inspire and uplift the community through their unwavering dedication to animal welfare and support for the unhoused. Their efforts not only save lives but also foster a sense of compassion and unity within Sacramento County.

The Pet Aid & Wellness Services Mobile Clinic is a full-service veterinary clinic on wheels, serving the pets of unhoused owners across Sacramento County. The clinic offers spay/neuter services, medical treatments, vaccinations, microchipping and pet supplies. For more information and a calendar of upcoming clinics and locations, visit the Pet Aid & Wellness Services Mobile Clinic website or call (916) 876-5215. ★



**The Pet Aid & Wellness Services Mobile Clinic is a full-service veterinary clinic on wheels.** Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

To ensure unhoused pet owners and their furry friends receive the care they deserve, a collaborative effort called the Compassionate Pet Care Alliance (CPCA) was created. Established in September 2023, the Compassionate Pet Care Alliance brings together various organizations working with the pets of the unhoused in Sacramento County. Members include PAWS (Bradshaw Animal Shelter), Front Street's Homeless Outreach and Assistance Program (HOAP), Sacramento SPCA, Elica Health

Services, Animals of the Homeless, Mercer Veterinary Clinic, 4R Friends and Street Dog Coalition. Meeting bi-monthly, these groups share resources, tackle challenges and support each other's missions. The collaboration has been invaluable, leveraging each organization's unique strengths.

With summer in full swing, Pet Aid & Wellness Services, along with the Homeless Outreach and Assistance Program and Sacramento SPCA, has shifted its focus to spay/neuter services to address the surge in puppy



**Their efforts not only save lives but also foster a sense of compassion and unity within Sacramento County.** Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

and kitten populations. "PAWS has a waitlist for these procedures and is fully booked for July underscoring the high demand for these critical services," said Dr. Metcalf.

"A touching example of PAWS' impact is the story of Bellamy, a six-year-old neutered male cat suffering from severe oral pain due to stomatitis," explained Dr. Metcalf. Initially treated with pain management and antibiotics by Pet Aid & Wellness

Services, Bellamy was later referred to Mercy Pet Hospital for a full mouth extraction thanks to the Cal 4 Animals Grant. Today, Bellamy is thriving, much to the relief and gratitude of his owner, Elizabeth Osgood.

"Bellamy came to be with me two and a half years ago after being taken to the shelter (Happy Tails) as a kitten where he spent the next three and a half years before I

## Hire a Veteran Day a Big Success



**PRIDE Industries helped veterans find jobs at the National Hire a Veteran Day event.** Photo courtesy of PRIDE Industries

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"Their experience serving our country instills in them a strong work ethic, adaptability, and leadership skills that are highly sought after in the civilian job market. We are honored to partner with the U.S. Army through the Partnership for Your Success Program and look forward to providing meaningful employment opportunities to even more veterans."

The event was part of a broader initiative involving job fairs held across multiple locations, including Citrus Heights, Sacramento, Los Angeles and Texas.

"Hundreds of veterans registered and over 100 veterans attended across the four job fairs," public relations director Kat Maudru reported.

Veterans had the opportunity to explore and interview for positions spanning administration, supervision, driving, landscaping, custodial services, job coaching, supply chain management and more.

The Department of Labor reports that

about 200,000 military personnel annually transition from active duty, bringing with them a valuable set of skills and attributes gained through their service, including dedication, teamwork, effective communication and a strong work ethic, all highly prized by employers.

"PRIDE Industries recognizes that the experience veterans gain serving our country makes them valuable employees," Maudru said. "The company currently employs hundreds of veterans in all areas of the organization and has provided support and services to thousands more in the form of job coaching, vocational instruction and employment placement assistance."

Maudru also noted the diversity of the attendees' reasons for seeking employment. "One person was there because they needed a job due to an impending job loss, while others were looking for part-time work. Different reasons for wanting a job come to show that everybody has a story," Maudru said. ★

## Best of Citrus Heights Voting Begins Aug. 6

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to 7:30 Sept. 19 at Citrus Heights Community Center, 6300 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights. With a western theme, the event includes a barbecue dinner and an opportunity

to win several door prizes. Tickets are \$50 for chamber members and \$60 for non-members, available starting on Aug. 5 online at bestofcitrusheights.org and at the chamber's website at chchamber.com ★






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# Time to Strike Up the Band with Tague Band Instrument Services

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Tague Band Instrument Services to rent and service brass band instruments during the school year.

Members of the all-ages Citrus Heights Community Marching Band (CHCMB), which performs in parades, festivals and field competitions throughout the greater Sacramento area, are also regular customers, according to Tague.

His firm, Tague Band Instrument Services, offers rentals, repairs and instrument cleaning services. Music lessons in bass, clarinet, flute, guitar, piano and violin are available.

Tague, an Orangevale resident, took time for a brief interview and to introduce his four repair techs before returning to his work bench to service a recently-arrived clarinet. The full-line service shop offers repairs of all band and orchestral instruments as well as percussion repair.

Tague's start in the instrument repair business began in 1993 with Northridge Music, previously based in Citrus Heights. Tague was responsible for the high quality of repairs provided at Northridge for more than 20 years and now continues this tradition at Tague Band Instrument Services.

"We had a very strong local following at Northridge servicing the school districts in the surrounding area and it was a natural choice when I bought the repair shop from them in Citrus Heights," he said.

Tague is actively looking to expand his repair business and his sales floor as well as offer his teachers a larger practice and rehearsal space. It's a priority that he wants to accomplish by the end of 2025.

"We're located in two suites here," Tague said. "Our repair business has continued to grow and I'd like to add more workstations to handle that demand."

"In general, our turn-around repair time for the school



Kris Tague, Tague Band Instrument Services owner, stands with just a few of the brass band instruments coming in for service

instruments we're now working on tends to be rather quick but it varies by the job and the scope of work required," he said. "Bent or dented horns do take a bit more time to straighten out."

Tague Music is a licensed Yamaha instrument dealer and services everything from entry level instruments to professional state-of-the-art instruments and offers services ranging from routine maintenance to custom fabrication, modification and complete mechanical restorations.



A wide variety of ukeleles and acoustic guitars are on display.



Robert Dolan has a baritone saxophone in pieces on his workbench.



Located at 8091 Greenback Lane, Tague Band Instrument Services was started in 1993.

Staff welcome walk-in customers daily for service, lessons and instrument repairs.

It's especially gratifying, Tague said, to see the children of many of his long-time customers now

taking up a musical instrument.

Tague has been a National Association of Professional Band Instrument Repair Technicians member since 1993.

The trumpet is Tague's area of professional expertise. Tague started playing the instrument in fifth-grade with Jim Culbertson in Decatur, Illinois. Culbertson was a world-class trumpeter and is the father of jazz artist Brian Culbertson. Tague then moved to Sacramento to attend Sacramento High School.

After graduating, Tague attended Point Loma Nazarene College in San Diego, which led to an opportunity to study for a year with Alan Siebert, the San Diego Symphony principal trumpet. Tague later transferred to and then graduated from Sacramento State University.

Outside of work, Tague is an active semi-professional musician and enjoys playing vintage brass instruments with a Civil War reenactment band that performs at the Alcatraz historic former federal prison in San Francisco. He also plays with Joyous Brass, a British-style brass band.

Once the school year starts and the racks of instrument cases are back in the hands of their players, Tague and his repair techs will take to the road to many of the outlying school districts to demonstrate band instrument field repairs which they typically demonstrate in-house.

"School music departments are often overwhelmed and can't travel to us, so we'll come to them," he said. "It's good for everyone involved and it speeds up the time needed for repairs."

Tague Band Instrument Services at 8091 Greenback Lane in Suites H and I in Citrus Heights is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays. Call 916-721-0295 or email [contact@playtague.com](mailto:contact@playtague.com) for more information. ★

# UC Davis Health Breaks Ground On 14-Story California Tower

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)**

UC Davis Health hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for the medical center's California Tower on July 22. The expansion project includes a 14-story hospital tower and five-story pavilion that will deliver superior care for Northern Californians and adapt to meet the evolving needs of the community.

"The addition of the California Tower to UC Davis Medical Center is a testament to our innovative forward thinking across our health system and main campus," said UC Davis Chancellor Gary S. May. "This project will position our researchers, students, faculty and staff to meet and adapt to regional health care needs for the next 50 years."

May spoke in the construction zone to an energized audience of UC Regents, university leaders, elected officials, project collaborators, and construction and facilities management workers.

## California Tower Construction

Approved by the UC Board of Regents in January 2022, the California Tower will be part of the region's most advanced medical center. The new hospital and pavilion will be in addition to the medical center's existing University and Davis Towers.

The new tower will add nearly one million square feet of space to the eastern side of the existing medical center. It will include new operating rooms, an imaging center, leading edge facilities for pharmacy and burn care units, and about 334 private rooms for patients.

More than 250 of the rooms are being designed for greater flexibility in the event of a patient surge such as a pandemic, massive wildfire or other disaster. These will easily convert into intensive-care-unit rooms with air isolation to treat patients of any level of hospitalization.

"With the California Tower,



UC Davis representatives celebrate at the July 22 ceremony for the California Tower, expected to be ready in 2030. Photo courtesy of UC Davis

we are building a new paradigm of patient care, centered around how a health system can deliver tomorrow's health care today," said David Lubarsky, CEO of UC Davis Health. "We are building into this new tower some of the lessons we learned from the recent pandemic. As an example, three out of four of the rooms in this new tower can be easily converted to fully functional ICUs if needed, tripling our ICU capacity."

When the California Tower is open for patients in 2030, Lubarsky added, it will continue the hospital's 150-year legacy of "caring for those who need it most, delivering superior patient outcomes while becoming more sustainable, and keeping our focus on improving health outcomes and equity."

The \$3.74 billion tower will replace parts of the hospital that must close due to state

seismic regulations. Hospitals across California are in the process of upgrading their existing facilities or constructing new buildings that can withstand major earthquakes.

The current, 646-bed hospital, the largest in the Sacramento region, will have a total of 675 to 700 inpatient beds when the project is expected to be completed in 2030.

## Supporting the Community

The California Tower project is expected to create hundreds of construction jobs and thousands of new health care positions for the surrounding community. It's one of many benefits of being home to an anchor institution such as UC Davis Medical Center.

Anchor institutions are place-based, mission-driven entities such as universities and hospitals that leverage economic power

alongside human and intellectual resources to improve the long-term health and social welfare of surrounding communities.

"The hospital tower we're breaking ground on today represents another pivotal investment in our city by UC Davis," said Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg. "Both this tower and the new Aggie Square innovation campus will create thousands of new, high-quality jobs and expand our ability to meet the health care needs of our residents."

UC Davis Health plans to help fuel the economic health and overall wellbeing of the neighborhoods surrounding its Sacramento campus by hiring and developing local workforce talent, purchasing more goods and services from local vendors, investing in local projects that support vulnerable communities and engaging

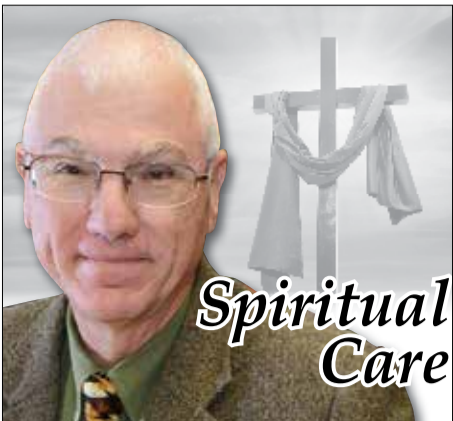
employees to volunteer in local neighborhoods.

"This project further harnesses the advantages of UC Davis Medical Center being Sacramento's No. 1 hospital and delivering nationally-ranked care," Lubarsky said. "UC Davis Health is Sacramento County's second-largest employer and we're making sure we are bringing not only health care but jobs and community wealth-building to our surrounding neighborhoods."

"I am so grateful for the collaborative planning effort that has spanned years and required so much hard work and coordination to bring us to this point of breaking ground for this new hospital tower," Lubarsky said.

Learn more about the California Tower project by visiting the Vision 2030 website at <https://health.ucdavis.edu/facilities/vision-2030>. ★

# The Tale the Dead Man Told



**BY NORRIS BURKES**

According to the animatronic skull at Disneyland's "Pirates of the Caribbean" ride, "Dead men tell no tales."

The saying didn't prove so true some years ago when I received a phone call from the director of a funeral home in Stockton, Calif.

The director asked if I was available to conduct the funeral of a person unknown to me. Honestly, these were welcome requests in my early pastoring days as they supplemented my modest pay while demanding little from my emotional bank.

I told him I'd be happy to do it, so he launched into the background story of how a local man had visited the funeral home a few months prior to make advance preparation for his own funeral. The director was happy to oblige and helped the man make his plans, choose a casket and select the music.

"There would have been nothing odd in this man's request," the director said, his voice trailing. "Except for his modest prediction."

"Don't expect a crowd," the lone man told him. "In fact, probably no one will be here at all."

With that, the director approved the plan and accepted payment.

"Perhaps my visitor was only being modest with his attendance prediction," the director said. "But no matter, we will provide what he paid for."

I agreed and hung up the phone to write a short sermon outline tailored to what I expected to be a handful of mourners.

A few days later, the director greeted me inside the funeral chapel, handing me a business-size envelope containing an obituary and my honorarium. We took our seats in the front row and over background music speculated how one approached life's end with the expectation that no one would attend your funeral.

At twenty-five minutes past the hour, I stood to signal the director I was done with our chit-chat. I thanked him and turned to

walk toward the exit.

"Aren't you going to preach your sermon?" he asked.

"Really?" I asked, waving my hand over the vacant pews.

"The man paid for a funeral. You and I agreed that he should get one."

I nodded and took my spot before the empty chapel pews and preached a cookie-cutter sermon about God's love for every man.

Later, back in my office, as I considered the deceased's predicament. I began to see the similarities to the biblical parable from Matthew 25.

It's a story Jesus told about a king who'd entrusted three servants to make investments on his behalf. Apparently, the king had a reputation for rewarding people by letting them keep their heads.

The first two servants did well. One doubled the king's investment and the other increased it by half. Both were rewarded with their own kingdoms.

However, the focus of the parable is on the third man. Fearful of his king, this tightwad buried the treasure so as not to lose a cent.

When that servant offered the king only his original principal, the scripture implies that the king executed the man.

I won't presume to say that this man whose funeral I performed was just like the scaredy cat in the parable. I won't speculate, judge or even pretend to know his life.

Perhaps this fella simply outlived everyone he knew.

However, if you forced me to guess, I'd say I have to wonder if the no-show funeral meant that this guy never gave to anyone. Did he ever help out in a food kitchen?

Or I might say that the biblical servant and the guy who advanced planned his funeral were trying to live their lives dodging the risk of failure. They worked hard to avoid disappointing people by steering clear of meaningful relationships.

I've done many funerals since that day — some for saints and a few for scoundrels.

But this funeral has always reminded me that life is not without risks and those who seek to evade risk are often sentenced to a solitary existence. This is certainly not the way I want to live, and I'm convinced that it's not the way God wants his investment returned.

Fun Fact: "Dead men tell no tales," was first attributed to a 16th century English clergyman named Thomas Becon. Of course, it was easy for him to make that claim because his day was never interrupted by phone calls. ★

# Caltrans Awards \$51.4 Million for Sustainable Transportation Projects

## Caltrans News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - With a majority of funding coming from Governor Gavin Newsom's clean transportation infrastructure package and the California Climate Commitment, on July 9, Caltrans awarded \$51.4 million in planning grants for 89 sustainable, climate-resilient transportation projects throughout California to help communities better withstand the impacts of extreme weather events fueled by climate change.

The selected projects will help reduce planet-warming pollution, improve resiliency of the state highway system, enhance access to safe walkways and bike paths, and expand natural disaster preparedness. Nearly \$29 million comes from one-time state and federal sources made possible by Governor Newsom's historic \$15 billion clean transportation package in the 2022-23 state budget to further the state's ambitious climate goals. Another \$12.4 million comes from Senate Bill (SB) 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. The awards will fund project planning and conceptual design efforts, helping move the projects closer to construction.

"California is at the forefront of planning transportation projects built to help underserved communities withstand the effects of climate change," said Caltrans Director Tony Tavares. "By working closely with local partners, we can maintain a sustainable, adaptable and resilient transportation system that will serve all Californians far into the future."

In total, Caltrans will fund: \$28.8 million in Climate Adaptation Planning Grants — all from Governor Newsom's clean transportation infrastructure package — to 30 local, regional and transit agencies to identify transportation-related climate vulnerabilities through the development of climate adaptation plans, as well as project-level adaptation planning to address climate impacts to transportation infrastructure.

Ninety-seven percent of these projects will benefit disadvantaged communities.

\$19.2 million in Sustainable Communities Competitive and Technical Grants to 50 local, regional and transit agencies for transportation and land use planning, as well as planning for electric vehicle charging infrastructure. This includes more than \$6 million to fund planning for 16 projects that improve safety and access for people who walk and bike. Ninety-two percent of these projects will benefit disadvantaged communities.



\$3.4 million in federally funded Strategic Partnerships Grants to nine projects that will plan for managed lanes, training and certification for local elected officials, comprehensive multimodal corridors, transit network and comprehensive operational

analyses, improve interregional ADA paratransit coordination, develop airport passenger transportation recommendations, develop a zero-emissions bus fleet, coordinate multimodal transportation and land use compatibility.

Caltrans awards transportation planning grants each year through a competitive process to encourage local and regional projects. Applications are evaluated on how projects advance state transportation and climate goals by identifying and addressing statewide, interregional, or regional transportation deficiencies on the highway system. The grant program began in the 2015-16 fiscal year. Since then, Caltrans has awarded 685 planning grants totaling \$266 million, and more than 60 percent of those projects have been completed.

SB 1 provides \$5 billion in transportation funding annually that is shared between state and local agencies. Road projects progress through construction phases more quickly based on the availability of SB 1 funds, including projects that are partially funded by SB 1.

Find more projects that are building California's climate-friendly future at [build.ca.gov](http://build.ca.gov) and [RebuildingCA.ca.gov](http://RebuildingCA.ca.gov). ★

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# Foundation Gives Graduates Construction Opportunities

## The Write Stuff Communications News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Julian Aguilar has wanted to be a construction worker for a long time; he just didn't know what trade he wanted to pursue.

To learn more, Aguilar, 18, participated in a four-week hands-on construction internship last summer between his junior and senior year at Casa Roble High School in Orangevale. The program, sponsored by the North State Building Industry Foundation, exposed him to a wide range of building trades. This year, for the first time, selected interns from last year were invited to come back for another session to see if they were ready for job offers.

Aguilar jumped at the opportunity.

"The program exposed me to everything, and it's helped me find what trade I want to be in," Aguilar said during a break at the new home community under construction in the Vineyard area of Sacramento County. "At first when I got into the program, I wanted to be a framer, then I wanted to be an HVAC worker. And now, I want to be an electrician."

At the conclusion of the internship, he got his wish. He's been hired by Republic Electric and will begin work on July 30.

According to Shaun Ruddy, vice president of field operations for home-builder Taylor Morrison, the senior interns worked hard.

"You can see the effort they're putting in," Ruddy said. "They're trying to prove themselves to the trades like, 'Hey, hire me when this four-week period's done.'"

Aguilar was one of 52 Sacramento-area high school students participating in a program this summer that demonstrates there are good careers that don't require them to go to college and incur large amounts of student debt.

"This is a career you can do without going into



Julian Aguilar works on an electrical installation at a Taylor Morrison home in the Vineyard neighborhood in Sacramento County. Photo courtesy of The Write Stuff Communications

debt, going into college very easily and making \$30,000 to \$40,000 a year in an entry-level position," said Foundation Executive Director Jennifer Poff. "If you love to work with your hands and you love seeing something come together, figure out piece by piece how it comes together, then this is a great career for you. And you don't have to worry about incurring college debt in order to get a degree to do something when you can do this right out of high school."

Ruddy agreed.

"We tell them, if you're not interested in college, that's OK, you can make a good living, you can support your family. We brought in representatives from the trades to talk about their story of like, 'Hey, I don't have a degree, you know? Now after 15 years, I'm the foreman of this company making six figures, making a good living. I have a boat. I have a house. I have my big truck,'" he said.

Ruddy said it is crucial that the homebuilding industry recruits new workers, and soon.

"It's important for us to keep the workforce in place. In the next five to 10 years, this workforce is aging out. For this next generation, it's a great career to have. You can come into the workforce right out of high school, be trained at your career, something you can be proud

of. Building the American dream is what we've always thought this was. And it's something these kids coming out of high school can be successful at and move up in the world."

Students participating this year came from the Sacramento City, Twin Rivers, Natomas, Elk Grove and San Juan unified school districts. Besides Taylor Morrison, Lennar, Toll Brothers and USA Properties offered internships in several developments around the region.

Aguilar said the hands-on internship was a great experience.

"Honestly, I think this program is great because it exposes you to every trade. Maybe you want to work in an office, maybe you want to do paperwork, but the program gives you a glimpse of everything you would do, all hands-on. I think anyone that's able to take advantage of this program should absolutely take it, because it's phenomenal, man. Love it," he said.

Fortunately, the program is likely to continue into its eighth year as well, Ruddy said.

"As long as I'm here, we'll definitely keep participating," he said.

Applications for the 2025 internship program will be available early next year. For more information about the program, visit <https://bit.ly/4cWjTAX>. ★

# Sloppy Staff Work and Agenda Hide-And-Seek Taint Board of Supervisors' 2023 Pay Raise

## Sacramento County Grand Jury News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Missed crucial details, an uncorrected math error, and an astonishing lack of transparency are among the significant problems the 2023-24 Sacramento County Grand Jury found when it investigated the process used by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors to award themselves a hefty salary increase in 2023.

"A critical math mistake in the informational meeting packet given to the Board led some of the supervisors – and the public – to initially think they were approving a 20-percent raise. It was, in fact, 36-percent," said Steve Caruso, 2023-24 Grand Jury foreperson. The error was discovered after the Board of Supervisors (BOS) voted on the raise.

"Even more concerning than the math miscalculation, is the choice by county staff not to update the Board with the correct information after the fact," Caruso said. "Among other things, it raises the question of how many other times mistakes in facts presented at Board meetings are never publicly corrected."

To examine the BOS decision-making process, the Grand Jury interviewed 16 people and reviewed a multitude of regulations and ordinances, as well as the agenda packets for the BOS meetings on April 18, 2023 – when the raise was first introduced and approved – and May 23, 2023 – when it was adopted.

Surprisingly, the pay raise proposal appeared on the consent calendar at both the April 18 and May 23 BOS meetings. The consent calendar is typically reserved for routine or noncontroversial matters that the BOS votes on as a single item. The consent calendar rarely attracts any public comment. Although the Board's use of the consent calendar was not unlawful, the Grand Jury reported, the consent calendar process lacks transparency to maintain the

public's trust when voting on matters of significant public interest.

"During our investigation, county staff acknowledged that it was a mistake to tuck the salary increase proposal in the middle of the consent calendar," Caruso said. "But we also hold the supervisors accountable because they had the authority to take the proposal off the consent calendar to encourage more public discussion, but they made a conscious decision not to."

In another misstep that limited public input into the process, the Grand Jury's research revealed a serious mistake in the number of days between when the salary increase was approved by the BOS and its effective date.

The county directed the salary increase to start 30 days after the final vote, but California Government Code Section 25123.5 mandates a 60 day wait. State law allows such a wait to provide time for voters, if they so choose, to organize a referendum to overturn the decision.

The Grand Jury recommends seven actions the BOS and county executive team can take to improve processes. Among them are for staff to explain, in an open BOS meeting, the financial errors made in this salary increase process.

Other recommendations include that the BOS determine, again in an open BOS meeting, the validity of the salary increase ordinance as it relates to state law as well as determine if any money already paid to the supervisors should be returned to the county.

The Grand Jury also recommends the county form a citizen-based compensation commission.

The Sacramento County Grand Jury is the independent watchdog over public entities within the county. Concerned residents can contact the Grand Jury on a confidential basis through written complaints that alert the Grand Jury to issues within public entities. We would like to hear from you at [www.sacgrandjury.org](http://www.sacgrandjury.org). ★

# SMUD's \$10 Million State Grant Advances Long-Duration Battery Storage Technology



## SMUD News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - SMUD's long-duration battery storage project in partnership with ESS Tech, Inc. has been awarded a \$10 million grant from the California Energy Commission to demonstrate a groundbreaking 3.6-megawatt, eight-hour iron flow battery project and set the foundation for future large-scale battery deployments and manufacturing at energy centers in Sacramento.

The project aims to showcase the capability and reliability of iron flow battery technology, which complements renewable energy sources like wind and solar by storing energy and strategically dispatching it based on demand to support grid distribution and transmission systems as SMUD transitions to a carbon-free power portfolio by 2030.

"Thank you to California Energy Commission Chairman David Hochschild, fellow commissioners and staff for continuing to lead the way in policy development and investments that make California the leader for others to follow in the transition to a clean energy future," said SMUD's Chief Legal & Government Affairs Officer Laura Lewis. "The CEC's partnership and investment in clean technologies are critical to advancing and bringing them to scale, while helping SMUD keep its rates among the lowest in California." SMUD continues to

make great strides toward its goal to eliminate carbon emissions from its power supply by 2030 through investments in renewable energy projects, customer programs and cutting-edge technologies, such as its partnership with ESS to deliver and grow long-duration energy storage and other zero-carbon innovation. This technology not only captures and stores clean energy, ensuring it's available around the clock and maximizing the use of renewable resources, but it also enhances resource adequacy, especially during peak demand times, providing a stable, reliable and clean energy supply for its community.

"The California Energy Commission is proud to support this exciting long-duration energy storage project which will help drive this new clean energy industry into the mainstream," said California Energy Commission Chair David Hochschild. "It's a technology that's needed to harness excess renewables for use during peak demand and overnight, especially as we work toward a goal of 100 percent clean electricity."

The partnership and technology offer several anticipated benefits, including accelerating the commercialization of iron flow batteries, improving the cost-competitiveness of non-lithium long-duration energy storage, bolstering grid reliability, complementing SMUD's renewables, and supporting workforce development and the

local economy through clean energy jobs.

Currently, the ESS iron flow long-duration energy storage project is in its early phases at SMUD's Sacramento Power Academy. In September 2023, ESS commissioned six Energy Warehouse™ systems for SMUD as part of a 2-gigawatt-hour framework agreement. The existing 450 kilowatt / 2,400 kilowatt-hour Energy Warehouse system at SMUD's Sacramento Power Academy continues to provide SMUD and ESS with valuable insights through risk and benefits analysis, use case studies and performance testing. These efforts will ultimately determine the optimal applications for iron flow battery technology, aiming to achieve cost and performance competitiveness relative to lithium-ion batteries for 8-hour durations and longer.

ESS will deliver up to 200 megawatts / 2 gigawatt-hours of iron flow long-duration energy storage systems. Once fully operational and paired with renewable energy, these systems are expected to eliminate approximately 284,000 metric tons of CO2 emissions per year from SMUD's grid.

Alongside the California Energy Commission's grant, SMUD is committing approximately \$19.5 million in cost-sharing for labor and material expenses for the combined 4-megawatt ESS Tech, Inc. long-duration energy storage project, which includes the existing 450-kilowatt installation and the newly grant-funded 3.6-megawatt addition. ★

# Nonprofits Awarded Nearly Half Million Dollars from Bank of America

## Bank of America News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Bank of America recently announced it recently awarded nearly \$500,000 in grants to 20 local nonprofits across the Greater Sacramento region and San Joaquin Valley to drive meaningful and sustainable progress to help tackle society's biggest challenges. This first round of grants the company awards to local nonprofits throughout the year was focused on health-related and workforce development programs.

Two of this year's grant awardees include Digital NEST and Sunburst Projects. Digital NEST, serving Stockton and Modesto, among other California cities, creates scalable technology learning centers for Latino youth, providing culturally relevant and age-appropriate programs to help members of underserved communities explore career pathways, build confidence and pave the way for careers in tech and tech-adjacent industries. Sunburst Projects, located in Sacramento, has supported the Northern California HIV/AIDS community and their loved ones for nearly 40 years, helping clients access medical care and lifesaving medications, so they can live their healthiest lives and reach their highest potential.

"Partnerships are how you accelerate and amplify impact. We are proud to consider Bank of America, as a partner of the Digital NEST," said Jacob Martinez, founder and CEO of Digital NEST. "With the support of Bank of America, we have been able to provide programming that allows our youth to build a foundation of the professional and technical skills and experiences every young person needs to thrive in today's workforce."

enhancing public health by providing free HIV and STD testing. Thanks to the generous support of Bank of America, we can expand our outreach and better serve communities disproportionately affected by these health crises. Together, we are making a transformative impact," shared Jake Bradley-Rowe, executive director of Sunburst Projects.

Other organizations receiving grants include: Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Sacramento, California Restaurant Association Foundation Inc., Center for Employment Opportunities Inc., Food Literacy Center, GRID Alternatives North Valley, Juma Ventures, Junior Achievement of Sacramento, NPower Inc., Pride Industries, Sacramento Food Bank, Sacramento Loaves and Fishes, Saint John's Program for Change, Second Harvest of the Greater Valley, Sierra College Foundation, Soil Born Farms, Women's Center-Youth & Family Services, Women's Empowerment and Yolo Food Bank.

"As demand for nonprofit services continue to rise, businesses can play a role in creating real change for people and families in need," said CP Parmar, president, Sacramento. "Investing in the region's nonprofits that help remove barriers to economic stability is one way Bank of America can help make financial lives better."

These grants build on the \$9 million Bank of America provided to Greater Sacramento and San Joaquin Valley organizations and the 56,000 hours of employee volunteerism to local causes since 2019.

Additional background about Bank of America's Charitable Foundation giving can be found at <https://about.bankofamerica.com/en/making-an-impact/charitable-foundation-funding>. ★



Dave Ramsey

## Dave Ramsey Says Right Heart, Wrong Actions

ing money to your parents isn't necessarily a financial hardship for you and your husband, but that by consistently giving or loaning your parents money you're losing respect for them. This is not a healthy situation. Your relationship has become strained, and that's a tough thing for anyone to deal with—especially in a parent-child scenario.

Make no mistake, going into the ministry with the right heart is an admirable thing. However, in the Bible, Paul made tents while he conducted his ministry. I'm paraphrasing, of course, but his line was to the effect of, "If you don't work, you don't eat." He had a job. So, I don't think suggesting your folks think about working outside the ministry while trying to do God's work is unfair in a situation like this.

I'm sure your mom is a good person, but no one should do this to their child. On top of it all, she sounds like a travel agent for guilt trips—like she's working you over while implying it's all really for God. That's not only toxic, it's just plain wrong.

It's going to be hard to

unravel it all and turn this into a respectable situation where they're not constantly asking for money, and you're not feeling pressure and falling victim to the guilty feelings that enable this behavior. I hope all of you will consider sitting down with a reasonable, objective third party and talking things through. I also hope you'll take some time to read a book called Boundaries by Dr. Henry Cloud. It will open your eyes to a few things.

God bless you and your family, Abigail.

— Dave

*Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS Mornings, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company, Ramsey Solutions.* ★

## Eye-Popping Construction Costs Intensify California's Chronic Housing Shortage



By Dan Walters,  
CALMatters.org

It's not hyperbole to declare that California's most serious economic, social and political issue is its chronic shortage of housing, particularly for families in the lower income brackets.

As the yawning gap between demand and supply, especially in urban areas, pushes costs upward, it drags down the economy by discouraging investment in job-creating businesses; it drives employers and their workers to other states where they can afford housing; it fuels the nation's highest level of functional poverty and it's the major factor in California's worst-in-the-nation homelessness.

The state has pushed local governments to reduce impediments to housing construction, setting a goal of 2.5 million new units over the current eight-year planning cycle, or an average of more than 300,000 units a year, "and no less than one million of those homes must meet the needs of lower-income households."

At best, California's private and public housing developers are meeting a third of that goal, and the recent trend is downward. The state budget notes that in 2023 residential permits declined by 2.9% from 2022 to about 110,000 permitted units, and it projects that

while single-family housing construction will probably pick up this year, multi-family units are expected to contract 5.5%, the largest annual decline since 2020.

The budget cites high interest rates, imposed by the Federal Reserve to combat inflation, as a major factor in the state's stagnant housing picture. But inflation itself — the rising costs of building materials and construction labor — also is a problem, as is the tangle of red tape that projects must endure.

A project now underway in downtown Sacramento, just a couple blocks from the state Capitol, illustrates how high development costs affect supply. The decrepit Sequoia Hotel, originally built in 1906, is being transformed into 88 tiny units of housing — 150 square feet each — for homeless people, at a total cost of \$50.1 million, with most of the money coming from the state. That's nearly \$600,000 per unit, more than enough to buy a detached single-family home in one of Sacramento's middle-class neighborhoods, and close to \$4,000 a square foot.

Sacramento is by no means an isolated example of the eye-popping costs of building housing for low-income Californians.

A similar project in downtown San Francisco, converting a fire-damaged building into 35 low-rent apartments, is costing a million dollars a unit, the San Francisco Chronicle revealed this week.

"Just five years ago, the cost to build affordable housing in San Francisco was only about \$740,000 a unit, according to the Bay Area Council Economic

Institute. But these days units are clocking in at \$1 million or even higher, prompting the question of what can be done to bring down costs," the Chronicle reported.

What indeed?

Governmental projects, such as those in Sacramento and San Francisco, tend to have the highest costs because they must include all sorts of mandates, such as union-scale labor, and they depend on a pastiche of financing sources.

Private projects that needn't follow those mandates can be done much less expensively, particularly if they consist of modules that have been assembled in factories and then joined together on the site. However, construction unions bitterly oppose such innovations and flex their political muscles to minimize their use.

A new \$50 million housing fund created by Apple and private philanthropists will only finance projects that meet strict cost limits — less than \$550,000 for studios and less than \$700,000 for larger units. That's still a lot of money, but it's a step in the right direction.

California will never solve its housing crisis if it doesn't get more — much more — bang for its bucks.

*Dan Walters is one of most decorated and widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state's political, economic, social and demographic trends. He began covering California politics in 1975, just as Jerry Brown began his first stint as governor, and began writing his column in 1981.* ★


Dear Dave,

I'm beginning to feel some bitterness and resentment towards my parents for their recent decisions and financial irresponsibility. Fifteen years ago, while I was still in school, they left good-paying jobs to enter the ministry. They both took pay cuts when they made this decision, and they've been regularly asking for money for living expenses from my husband and I ever since. Sometimes, they even try to make us feel guilty if we can't give them the amount they ask for. My mom, especially, constantly brings up their call to the ministry, adding that we should want to help them. We believe in their calling, but we also feel they knew they would have to live on less money, and they're being irresponsible with the money they make. What should we do?

— Abigail

Dear Abigail

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# Social Security Matters

## I was Self-Employed and Don't Have Enough Credits for Social Security



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

**Dear Rusty:** For a thirty-year period, I was making a living as an independent contractor and freelancer. I was working on behalf of myself. Thus, I was only paying state and federal taxes when applied. Due to changes in the employment landscape, I wish to apply for benefits at age sixty-four, as receiving said SS benefits would serve as supplemental income to what I would be receiving from outside sources.

I recently discovered through the SSA that I do not have enough "points" to apply for Social Security benefits. What would be the method to obtain those required points in order to receive benefits? **Signed: Needing Points**

**Dear Needing:** Social Security is an earned benefit, and eligibility is attained by contributing to SS through FICA payroll taxes, or Self-Employment (SECA) tax on your net earnings from self-employment, over your lifetime. You must have at least 40 "quarters of credit" to be eligible for Social Security benefits – essentially you must work one quarter of each year earning at least a specified amount

during that quarter to earn one credit, and you can earn a maximum of 4 credits for each year you work. The amount of earnings per credit varies each year, but for 2024, work earnings of \$1,730 give you one credit (annual work earnings of \$6,920 earn 4 credits). Usually, you must contribute to Social Security for about 10 years to be eligible for benefits. You must have earned at least 40 quarter credits to collect Social Security retirement benefits/ If you have less than 40 you are not eligible for SS retirement benefits.

For self-employed individuals, SECA SS tax is paid when you file your federal income tax return - you pay into Social Security when filing your annual Self-Employment income tax return (the self-employed must pay both the employee and the employer portion of Social Security tax). If you did not file an income tax return for each year over your lifetime you were self-employed, you didn't earn any SS credits for that year. You pay SECA tax on your NET earnings from self-employment (after all business expenses are deducted).

If you are just a few credits short of the 40 necessary to be eligible for benefits, you can still earn those extra credits needed by working and paying SS FICA or SECA taxes on your work earnings. For each \$1,730 earned this year, you will earn one SS credit, up to a maximum of 4 per year. But you must contribute to Social Security from those earnings

– if you work as a company employee you will have FICA taxes withheld from your earnings, and if you are still self-employed you would need to pay SECA taxes on net earnings over \$6,920 when you file your self-employment income tax return. You would need to do that for as long as it takes for you to attain the minimum 40 quarter credits needed to be eligible for Social Security retirement benefits. (FYI: you cannot "buy" the extra points needed; you need to earn them by working and contributing to Social Security from your earnings).

One final point: whenever SS benefits are claimed before one's full retirement age (FRA) Social Security's "earnings test" applies. The earnings test limits how much you can earn from working before some of your SS benefits are taken away. The earnings test no longer applies after you reach your FRA and, if you turned 64 this year, your FRA is 67. Self-employed individuals are also subject to an hourly limit of 15 to 45 working hours per month in their first year of early retirement.

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 Jill Rachelle Layton, 5151 Keane Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Noble Paws" 5151 Keane Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 25, 2024  
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**NOBLE** 8-2-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04703**  
 Angelina Rybikova, 3932 Pasadena Avenue, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Divine Design & Rental" 3932 Pasadena Avenue, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 17, 2024  
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**DIVINE** 8-2-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04658**  
 Bowinkle's Drive Thru, 10423 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bowinkle's Drive Thru Inc 2" 10423 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 13, 2024  
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**BOWINKLES** 8-2-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04896**  
 Marwa Diaf, 11867 Country Garden Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Happy Latte Studios" 11867 Country Garden Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 25, 2024  
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**HAPPY** 8-2-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04895**  
 Bruce Stender, 6800 Stonecrop Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Angry Beaver Stump Grinding and Tree Services" 6800 Stonecrop Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 25, 2024  
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**ANGRY** 8-2-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05050**  
 Eva Macaraeg Segal and Jonathan Elliot Segal, 11406 Forty Niner Circle, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Aprima Salon" 5200 Sunrise Boulevard Suite 100, Fair Oaks, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 1, 2024  
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 Douglas Scott Oughton and Bunnie R. Oughton, 6632 Pepperwood Way, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Oughton's Golf Repair/Bunnies Lampshade Recovering" 6632 Pepperwood Way, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 25, 2024  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05138**  
 Grace Lundgren, 1424 Grey Owl Circle, Roseville, CA 95661 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Nailz By G 916" 7529 Sunset Avenue Suite E1, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 2, 2024  
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**NAILZ** 8-2-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05099**  
 Rachel Kiene and Lesley Nelson, 10537 Ambassador Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Birthstream Midwifery Service" 10537 Ambassador Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 1, 2024  
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**BIRTHSTREAM** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05190**  
 Bloo Investments, Inc., 4541 Woodhawk Way, Antelope, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Melas Auto Sales" 2519 El Camino Avenue Suite 101, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 3, 2024  
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**MELAS** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04834**  
 Fair Oaks Village Enhancement Committee, PO Box 1251, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "FOVEC" 4200 Temescal Street, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 24, 2024  
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**FOVEC** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04488**  
 Dena Shulruff, 5529 Rubion Circle, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Body Apothecary" 4088

Bridge Street, Fair Oaks Suite 7, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 10, 2024  
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**THE** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05230**  
 Tom Nunes and Jeffrey Lenhart, 2100 Watt Avenue #155, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Help-U-Sell Real Estate" 2100 Watt Avenue #155, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 8, 2024  
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**HELP** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04591**  
 Eduard Salamatov, 4425 Winje Drive, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MRK Concrete Design" 4425 Winje Drive, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 12, 2024  
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**MRK** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04657**  
 Bowinkle's Drive Thru Inc, 912 Oak Lane, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bowinkle's Drive Thru" 912 Oak Lane, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 13, 2024  
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**BOWINKLES** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05261**  
 Sukhminder Singh Gill and Jasbir Kaur Gill, 3708 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Circle of Friends" 3708 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 8, 2024  
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**CIRCLE** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04687**  
 Dmitriy Ozeruga, 7047 Cross Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Simplified Business Solutions" 7047 Cross Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 14, 2024  
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**SIMPLIFIED** 8-9-24

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 Colleen E Clark and Karri L Biehle, 6330 Sunrise Boulevard #1032, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Practitioner's Post" 6330 Sunrise Boulevard #1032, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 10, 2024  
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**PRACTITIONERS** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04500**  
 Navia USA, LLC, 822 E Devon Avenue Unit D, Bartlett, IL 60103 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DNA Logistics, LLC" 822 E Devon Avenue Unit D, Bartlett, IL 60103. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 10, 2024  
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**DNA** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04631**  
 Isabel Diego, 3612 Husch Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Las Michoacanas" 10491 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 12, 2024  
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**LAS** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05315**  
 Advantage 1 Restaurant Services LLC, 3324 Monier Circle Suite 4, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Renegade Restaurant Services and Design" 3324 Monier Circle Suite 4, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 10, 2024  
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**RENEGADE** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03882**  
 Kita Locks Inc, 6923 Escallonia Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kita Locks" 6923 Escallonia Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 15, 2024  
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**KITA** 8-9-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05202**  
 Pakwan Curry LLC, 2989 Club Center Drive, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Desi Curry" 3290 Northgate Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 5, 2024  
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**DESI** 8-16-24

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 Annual Holdings, Inc., 10390 White Rock Road Suite 210 2nd Floor - #4265, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Private Label Supplement/StartUpTakeOff" 10390 White Rock Road Suite 210 2nd Floor - #4265, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with

the Clerk of Sacramento County June 28, 2024  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05445**  
 Avand Prime LLC, 5437 San Juan Avenue, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Avand Prime" 5437 San Juan Avenue, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 16, 2024  
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**AVAND** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04931**  
 Victor Ramirez Mirazo, 8343 Lemberger Way, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Green Trust Landscapes" 8343 Lemberger Way, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 27, 2024  
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**GREEN** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05501**  
 William Jackson, 5801 Sutter Avenue #215, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 17, 2024  
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**DRONE** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04732**  
 Aidanek Ruslanbekova, 2263 Northrop Avenue Apt 97, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mosaic Photobooth" 2263 Northrop Avenue Apt 97, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 18, 2024  
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**MOSAIC** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05309**  
 Michelle Denise Walker, 3832 12th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95817 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sharing and Caring" 4955 Marconi Avenue Suite A, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 9, 2024  
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**SHARING** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05363**  
 Fyock Enterprises LLC, 4420 Pasadena Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Big Dogs & Spuds" 4420 Pasadena Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 11, 2024  
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**BIG** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05284**  
 Mignon M. McIntyre, 176 Bittercreek Drive, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mignonette" 176 Bittercreek Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 9, 2024  
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**MIGNONETTE** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05553**  
 Keith Lewis Poteat, 8112 Glen Creek Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Poteat Plumbing" 8112 Glen Creek Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 18, 2024  
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**POTEAT** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05125**  
 Emery Group LLC, 1900 Point West Way Suite 268, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Complete Business Services" 1900 Point West Way Suite 268, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 2, 2024  
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**COMPLETE** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05590**  
 Sean Buchanan, 6740 Sutter Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sutterscape Designs" 6740 Sutter Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 19, 2024  
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**SUTTERSCAPE** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05452**  
 Mark A. Delgado Inc., 86 Primrose Way, Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bob's Skate Supply" 6309 "Dara Delgado Home Loans" 86 Primrose Way, Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 16, 2024  
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**DARA** 8-16-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05399**  
 Joshua James Fitzpatrick, 5343 Moody Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "HD Window Cleaning Services" 5343 Moody Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 12, 2024  
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**HD** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05545**  
 Margarito Perez Robles, 5331 Kohler Road, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Page's Fountains & Water Gardens" 5331 Kohler Road, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 18, 2024  
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 Sheldon Heights Holdings, 10095 Sheldon Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lucky Bubbles Laundry" 3901 Madison Avenue Suite 25, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 28, 2024  
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**LUCKY** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05709**  
 Pull Up Plate, 6109 Oak Green Circle, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pull Up Plate Cafe/P.U.P Cafe" 2912 Auburn Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 24, 2024  
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**PULL** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05234**  
 Coronel's Ventures LLC, 99 S Almaden Boulevard Suite 600, San Jose, CA 95113 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Coronel Expedite" 2108 North Street Suite 8586, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 8, 2024  
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**CORONEL** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05345**  
 Alexandra Miriam Jansen, 6330 Sunrise Boulevard #1024, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Therapy With Xandra" 6330 Sunrise Boulevard #1024, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 11, 2024  
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**THERAPY** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05628**  
 Eva M. Segal and Jonathan F. Segal, 11406 Forty Niner Circle, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Salon Aprima" 5200 Sunrise Boulevard Suite 100, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 22, 2024  
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**SALON** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04740**  
 John Lawson Vincent, 7732 Ziebell Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Nor Cal Shade" 7732 Ziebell Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 20, 2024  
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**NORCAL** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05588**  
 Jon Schwarz, 1000 San Ramon Way, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "RMS Enterprises" 1000 San Ramon Way, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 19, 2024  
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**RMS** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05666**  
 Vladimir Stepanov, 3831 Annadale Lane #4, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Smart Tech Service" 3831 Annadale Lane #4, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 23, 2024  
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**SMART** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05700**  
 Nand Enterprises LLC, 4925 Mack Road Apt #176, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Clothes & Craft Co" 4925 Mack Road Apt #176, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 24, 2024  
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**CLOTHES** 8-23-24

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05683**  
 Bobby G. Kerr, 6309 Landis Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bob's Skate Supply" 6309 Landis Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 24, 2024  
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**BOBS** 8-23-24

**IT IS ORDERED** that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 24, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: June 26, 2024  
 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
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**DAZ** 8-2-24

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV013010**  
 Stanley James Parker has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Stanley James Parker to TySean Lamonta McDaniel.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 30, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: July 1, 2024  
 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
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**PARKER** 8-2-24

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV014388**  
 Mae Joy Castaneda has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Heaven Reese Manipon Obille to Heaven Reese Obille Castaneda.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 10, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: July 19, 2024  
 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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**CASTANEDA** 8-23-24

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE**  
**ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DIOLINDA MOGINIE CASE NO. 24PR001974**  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Diolinda Moginie:  
 A Petition for Probate has been filed by Michele Miesner, of the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Michele Miesner be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.  
 The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
 A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows August 8, 2024, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Zoom Telepresence: <https://saccourt-ca.gov.zoomgov.com/join/95529231>  
 Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.  
 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
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 The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: David R. Morris, Esq., 5137 Golden Foothill Parkway, Suite 110, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762; 916-789-9810  
 Publish: July 19, 26, August 2, 2024  
**MOGINIE** 8-2-24

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF FREDA A. BIGLER CASE NO. 24PR001931**  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be oth-

Dated: July 26, 2024  
 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024  
**NELSON** 8-23-24

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2019-00252673-PR-GP-FRC**  
 Raitavea Casey has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Za'ryah Marie Jael Mcdaniel to Za'ryah Marie Casey.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 30, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 129, located at 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: June 27, 2024  
 James E. McFetridge, Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024  
**CASEY** 8-23-24

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV014388**  
 Mae Joy Castaneda has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Heaven Reese Manipon Obille to Heaven Reese Obille Castaneda.  
 IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 10, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
 Dated: July 19, 2024  
 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024  
**CASTANEDA** 8-23-24

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DIOLINDA MOGINIE CASE NO. 24PR001974**  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Diolinda Moginie:  
 A Petition for Probate has been filed by Michele Miesner, of the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Michele Miesner be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.  
 The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
 A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows August 8, 2024, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Zoom Telepresence: <https://saccourt-ca.gov.zoomgov.com/join/95529231>  
 Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.  
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 The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: David R. Morris, Esq., 5137 Golden Foothill Parkway, Suite 110, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762; 916-789-9810  
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## ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV012680**  
 Cassandra Shaunte Louise Diaz has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Olivia Ann McKinney-Diaz to Olivia Ann Diaz.



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## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

erwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Fred A. Bigler. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Altha Bogan, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Altha Bogan be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows August 13, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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CALHOUN 8-16-24

## SUMMONS

SUMMONS (FAMILY LAW)  
CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO):  
24WHFL00196  
NOTICE TO RESPONDENT (Name): AVISO AL DEMANDADO (Nombre): Alejandro Pintado  
YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. Read the information below and on the next page. PETITIONER'S NAME IS: (NOMBRE DEL DEMANDANTE): Bertha Pintado.  
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a response (form FL-120) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter, phone call or court appearance will not protect you. If you do not file your response on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership, your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs. For legal advice contact a lawyer immediately. Get help finding a lawyer at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp), at the California Legal Services website (www.lawhelpca.org) or by contacting your local county bar association.

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notificada al peticionario. Una carta, llamada telefónica o comparecencia ante el tribunal no lo protegerá. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, el tribunal puede hacer órdenes que afecten su matrimonio o pareja de hecho, sus bienes y la custodia de sus hijos. Es posible que se le ordene pagar la manutención y los honorarios y costos de los abogados. Para obtener asesoramiento legal, póngase en contacto con un abogado de inmediato. Obtenga ayuda para encontrar un abogado en el Centro de Autoayuda en Línea de los Tribunales de California (www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp), en el sitio web de Servicios Legales de California (www.lawhelpca.org) o comunicándose con el colegio de abogados de su condado local.

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AVISO: LAS ÓRDENES DE RESTRICCIÓN ESTÁN EN LA PÁGINA 2: Estas órdenes de restricción son efectivas contra ambos cónyuges o parejas domésticas hasta que se desestime la petición, se dicte una sentencia o el tribunal dicte más órdenes. Son exigibles en cualquier lugar de California por cualquier oficial de la ley que haya recibido o visto una copia de ellos.

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The name and address of the court are: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Whittier Courthouse, 7339 Painter Avenue, Whittier, CA 90602.

The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or the petitioner without an attorney are: (El nombre, dirección y número de teléfono del abogado del peticionario, o del peticionario sin abogado es:) Matias Flores, Esq. Matias Flores Law Firm, 10846 Paramount Boulevard, Downey, CA 90241; 562-372-0846  
Date: (Fecha) 2/7/2024  
Phone: 562-372-0846  
By: Clerk of Court N. Arellano, Deputy

## STANDARD FAMILY LAW RESTRAINING ORDERS

Starting immediately, you and your spouse or domestic partner are restrained from:

- removing the minor children of the parties from the state or applying for a new or replacement passport for those minor children without the prior written consent of the other party or an order of the court;
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- transferring, encumbering, hypothecating, concealing, or in any way disposing of any property, real or personal, whether community, quasi-community, or separate, without the written consent of the other party or an order of the court, except in the usual course of business or for the necessities of life; and

4. creating a nonprobate transfer or modifying a nonprobate transfer in a manner that affects the disposition of property subject to the transfer, without the written consent of the other party or an order of the court. Before revocation of a nonprobate transfer can take effect or a right of survivorship to property can be eliminated, notice of the change must be filed and served on the other party.

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PINTADO 8-9-24

## SUMMONS (FAMILY LAW) CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO):

23FL04634  
NOTICE TO RESPONDENT (Name): AVISO AL DEMANDADO (Nombre): Jose Luis Lopez Vega  
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Date: (Fecha) 10/3/2023  
By: Clerk of Court S. Prasad, Deputy

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## STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2021-09572  
The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Complete Business Services, 1900 Point West Way Suite 268, Sacramento, CA 95815.  
Grigori K Ivanoff, 3731 Scott Street, San Francisco, CA 94123.

The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 10/29/2021 in the County of Sacramento.  
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 10/29/2021.  
Publish: July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2024  
COMPLETE 8-9-24

## STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2023-08349  
The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: KPS Critters, 4370 24<sup>th</sup> Street Suite G, Sacramento, CA 95822.  
Khavong Pha, 7280 Huntsville Drive, Sacramento, CA 95828.  
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 11/7/2023 in the County of Sacramento.  
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 7/18/2024.  
Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024  
KPS 8-16-24

## STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2023-02337  
The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Natomas Ace Hardware and North Natomas Ace Hardware. 2020 Club Center Drive Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95835.  
Natomas Hardware, Inc., 2020 Club Center Drive Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95835.  
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 3/28/2023 in the County of Sacramento.  
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 7/22/2024.  
Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024  
NATOMAS 8-23-24

## CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that on **August 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the **Planning Commission** of the City of Citrus Heights will hold a Public Hearing at the **City Council Chambers located at 6360 Fountain Sq Dr, Citrus Heights, CA** for the consideration of the project listed below.

**Project Name:** 2024 Zoning Code Update  
**Project Location:** Citywide  
**Project Description:** The Planning Commission will review a variety of updates to the City's Zoning Code and forward a recommendation to the City Council. The project includes clarification and reorganization of sections pertaining to parking, definitions, and setbacks. A complete list of changes can be obtained from the Planning Division. Project Planner: Steffane Lui  
**Environmental Determination:** The project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA under Section 15061(b)(3) of the Guidelines.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments prior to and may testify at the Public Hearing. **Written comments may be submitted to, City Planning Department, at planning@citrusheights.net or 6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621**

Following the Public Hearing, the **Planning Commission** may take such action on the project as it deems appropriate. If the matter is continued for any reason to a later date, written comments and public testimony will be accepted until the close of the final Public Hearing. All comments will be considered by the Approving Authority.

If you challenge the action of the **Planning Commission** on this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Department at, or prior to the Public Hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Planning Division at (916) 727-4740. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. TTY/TDD users with questions or comments can call the California Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1.

**Dated:** July 18, 2024 Citrus Heights Messenger 8-2-2024

## CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **August 14, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights will hold a Public Hearing at the **Citrus Heights Council Chambers located at 6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA**, for the consideration of the following:

### Letter of Public Convenience or Necessity for 5425 Sunrise Blvd File # PLN-24-11

The Citrus Heights City Council will be considering the issuance of a Letter of Public Convenience and Necessity that would allow the Department of Alcohol and Beverage Control to issue a Type 21 (off-sale beer/wine) and a Type 86 (Instructional) license to a proposed grocery store located within the Sunrise Village Shopping Center located at 5425 Sunrise Blvd. The project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA under Section 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities) of the Guidelines. Project Planner: Steffanie Lui

Following the Public Hearing, the **City Council** may take such action on the project as it deems appropriate. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments prior to and may testify at the Public Hearing. **Written comments may be submitted to Amy Van, City Clerk, 6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621.** If the matter is continued for any reason to a later date, written comments and public testimony will be accepted until the close of the final Public Hearing. All comments will be considered by the Approving Authority.

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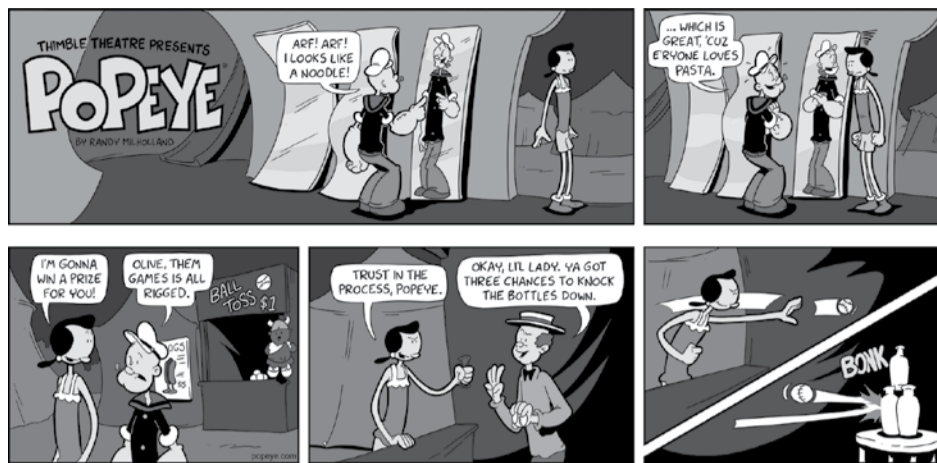
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# COMICS & PUZZLES

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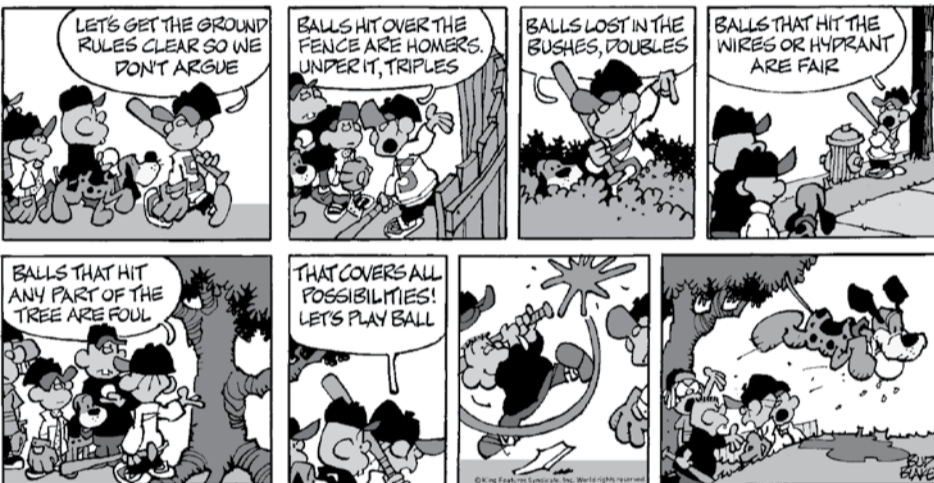
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  - Support for #1 Across
  - Gaelic language
  - Big-ticket \_\_\_\_
  - Flowerbed cover
  - Western Samoan money
  - Agrippina's slayer
  - Literature class homework
  - \*"The Curious Case of \_\_\_\_ Button"
  - God of thunder
  - Tight or rigid
  - Blunder
  - \* \_\_\_\_ control
  - \*Alarm clock delay
  - Edible tuber
  - Racecourses
  - Crew propellers
  - Often follows dark or back
  - \_\_\_\_-Town, or Chicago
  - Friend, south of the border
  - Singular of #25 Down
  - Containing uranium
  - Rip off
  - Sleeping sickness vector
  - Che Guevara's hat, pl.
  - Roman road
  - "And Then \_\_\_\_ Were None"
  - Hillside, in Scotland
  - \*Horn ringer
  - Raccoon's South American cousin
  - Debate side
  - Spring in a mattress
  - Ar, atomic number 18
  - Black-tie occasion
  - Golfer's aim
  - Group with pressure
  - Stallone
  - Prevalent variety of agate
- DOWN**
- Collector's goal
  - Kuwaiti, e.g.
  - \_\_\_\_ of Man
  - Shanty
  - Flower trunks
  - American Eagle's intimates brand
  - "Oh \_\_\_\_!"
  - \*Edible button
  - "The Sun \_\_\_\_ Rises"
  - "The Lion King" villain
  - Olden day "your"
  - More asinine
  - City area
  - Bulwark
  - Ems follower
  - Aimless walk
  - "Bravo! Bravo!", e.g.
  - Pall \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ of America
  - Largest organ of human body
  - Mobutu Sese Seko's nation
  - Cereal killer
  - Land measure
  - \_\_\_\_-cha-cha
  - Wails
  - \*Tall building people-mover
  - Of sour taste
  - All 50 states
  - Spanish airline
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# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



If there are any Kings fans left that have any doubts about the veracity of talent and basketball savvy as it relates to the Sacramento Kings general manager Monte McNair, it should be put to rest once and for all.

McNair has shown acumen beyond his years, as he embraces the competitive arena of trades and acquisitions with the senior GMs of the NBA.

Time and again, McNair has passed on trades that would have been a band-aid solution, while waiting for a better opportunity has proven invaluable to the team we see represented today.

There are undoubtedly trade opportunities that the fans will never know about, but take it from this writer, McNair has shown a level of patience that is rarely seen in young GMs.

The resigning of Malik Monk will probably fly under the radar for the casual fan, but make no mistake about it, locking up Monk for the next three years was a real feather in Monte McNair's cap.

When multiple high-priced and acclaimed free agents were signed by other teams, fans waited and scratched their heads, wondering why the Kings weren't in the mix.

Finally, when the naysayers had all but given up, came the signing of DeMar DeRozan, perhaps one of the top three free agent players available in this off-season.

Only time will tell what the resigning of Monk, and acquisition of DeRozan will do for the Kings, but hold onto your seats Kings fans, because the Kings GM is not done yet.

Just last week the Kings acquired 24-year-old big man Orlando Robinson who was recently released by the Miami Heat. On the surface this would appear to be a tepid acquisition at best, but at 6'10" this undrafted young man out of Fresno State deserves a closer look.

I reached out to a 40-year alum and booster from Fresno State, and this is the response I received after asking what we should expect from Orlando:

"He is great! A 6'10" true four. Could easily be a 20/10 guy with playing time. I have visited with him a few times. No behavior trouble. He is an essential-type player in today's NBA...who for a reasonable price is good."

These comments from a true basketball aficionado should at the very least raise some eyebrows and give Kings fans a reason to pay attention to Mr. Robinson.

Robinson played sparingly for the Miami Heat, but when he did play, he was productive, and I for one will be paying close attention to his progress in the preseason.

The signing of Robinson, for me, simply points out the fact that Monte McNair is scouring the league and beyond, to find another big man to complement Domantas Sabonis.

There remain several power forwards on the free-agent market, and I am confident that just as McNair was able to attract DeMar DeRozan, he will find the Kings the elusive big man they've been looking for.

Drew Timme impressed me with his summer league play, and at 6'10" he may yet impress the Kings front office. It would not surprise me to hear that Timme receives an invite to training camp.

The current team as it's assembled, barring any additions, will be a high-octane machine that will literally wear the competition down. Older teams will put Sacramento on the calendar as a place they would least like to play.

In the past teams have put a W on the calendar when looking at Sacramento, but those days are gone.

This season's ticket will be a coveted one, and don't look for any empty seats this year.

If you're not excited yet, please check and make sure you have a pulse. This team is going to amaze you, with lightning quick De'Aaron Fox, and Mr. double-double and triple-double Domantas Sabonis just reaching the prime of their careers.

Give Sabonis just a little more help on the boards, and it's anyone's guess how far this team can go. Fans are looking at a bonafide playoff team, and on the surface this squad could easily surpass the totals of two years ago when the Kings reached the playoffs for the first time in seventeen years.

Cross your fingers Kings fans, because this writer believes Monte McNair has yet another rabbit in his hat!

All the best!   
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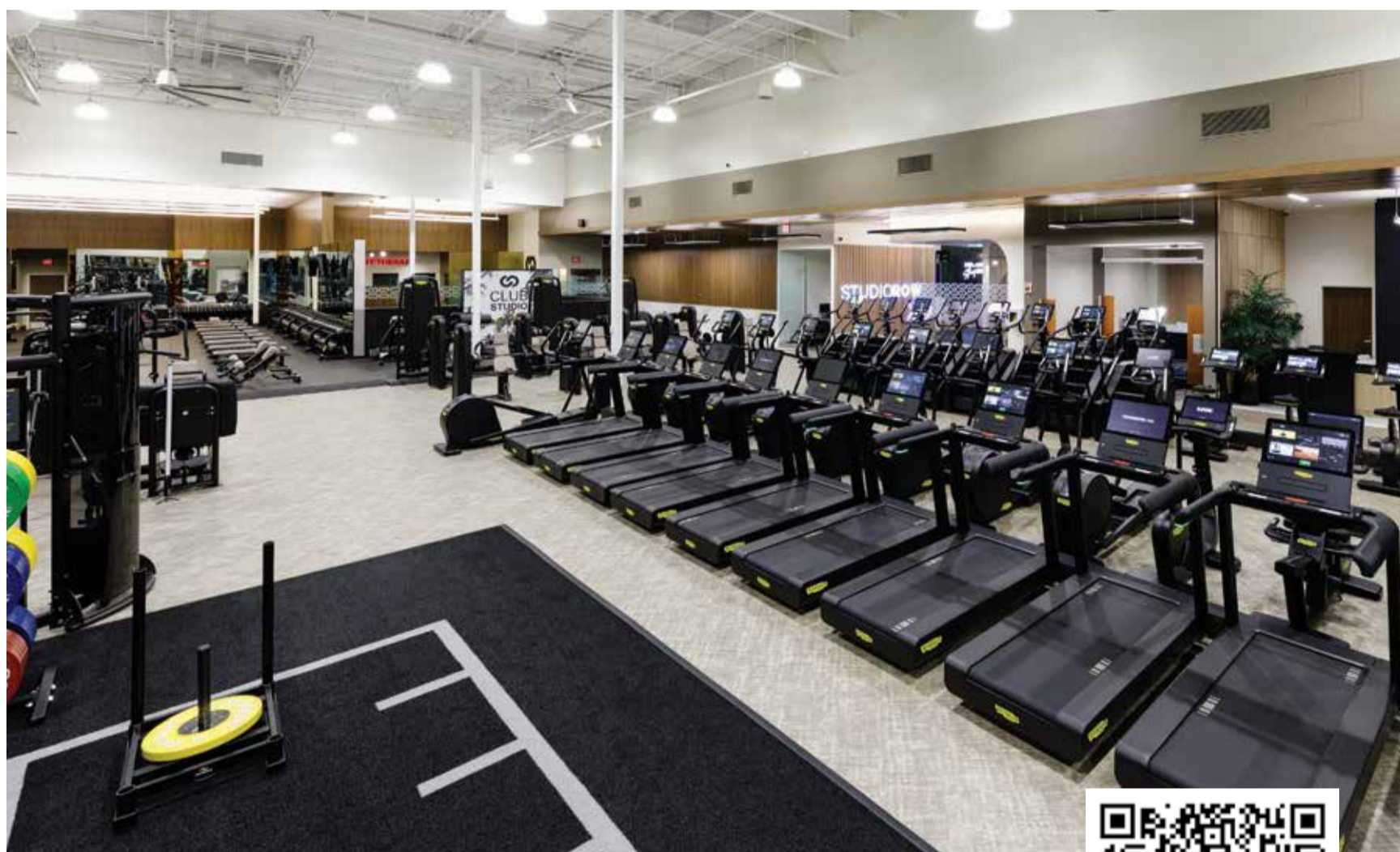
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