



HONORING

THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF HARRY SELVIN

Whereas, HARRY SELVIN WAS A VISIONARY ENTREPRENEUR, PHILANTHROPIST, AND ARTS ADVOCATE WHOSE DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITY LEFT AN INDELIBLE MARK ON THOUSAND OAKS AND BEYOND; AND

Whereas, THROUGH HIS LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE, HARRY PLAYED A PIVOTAL ROLE IN THE LOCAL ARTS COMMUNITY, SERVING AS A FOUNDING MEMBER AND CHAIR OF THE THOUSAND OAKS CIVIC ARTS PLAZA BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND AS A MEMBER OF THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION; AND

Whereas, HARRY'S PASSION FOR THE ARTS EXTENDED BEYOND ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP, AS HE WAS A TALENTED MUSICIAN, DIRECTOR OF THE HARRY SELVIN ORCHESTRA, AND A BELOVED PERFORMER WHO SHARED HIS LOVE OF BIG BAND MUSIC WITH THE COMMUNITY; AND

Whereas, HIS GENEROSITY KNEW NO BOUNDS, AS HE MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO NUMEROUS LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE ALLIANCE FOR THE ARTS, 5-STAR THEATRICALS, SENIOR CONCERNS, UNDER ONE ROOF, MANY MANSIONS, AND THE YMCA; AND

Whereas, HARRY'S COMMITMENT TO BEAUTIFYING THE COMMUNITY WAS EVIDENT IN HIS INITIATIVE TO INSTALL PUBLIC ART THROUGHOUT THOUSAND OAKS, INCLUDING THE MURALS AT THE BANK OF AMERICA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND THE ICONIC BRONZE HORSES ON THOUSAND OAKS BOULEVARD; AND

Whereas, IN ADDITION TO HIS ENTREPRENEURIAL AND PHILANTHROPIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS, HARRY WAS RECOGNIZED FOR HIS SERVICE AS THE GREATER CONEJO VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S 2003 "MAN OF THE YEAR" AND RECEIVED A 2016 TWILIGHT AWARD FROM THE GOLD COAST PERFORMING ARTS ASSOCIATION FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO THE PERFORMING ARTS; AND

Whereas, HARRY'S LEGACY OF SERVICE, GENEROSITY, AND LOVE FOR THE ARTS IS CARRIED ON BY HIS FAMILY, WHO CONTINUE TO HONOR HIS VISION AND PASSION FOR COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT; AND

Whereas, HARRY'S LIFE OF INNOVATION, COMPASSION, AND SERVICE WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE GENERATIONS TO COME, ENSURING THAT HIS PASSION FOR THE ARTS AND COMMUNITY REMAINS A CORNERSTONE OF THOUSAND OAKS; AND

Now therefore let it be resolved, THAT THE VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY HONORS THE MEMORY OF HARRY SELVIN FOR HIS LIFETIME OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY AND EXPRESSES ITS DEEPEST APPRECIATION FOR HIS UNWAVERING SUPPORT OF THE ARTS, CULTURE, AND PUBLIC SERVICE.

Presented on this 22nd day of March 2025


Chairman of the Board, Janice S. Parvin, Supervisor 4th District


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