

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR LINDSEY P. HORVATH

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Renaming the San Gabriel Valley Aquatic Center

The San Gabriel Valley Aquatic Center is a transformative initiative to bring essential aquatic facilities to the communities of the San Gabriel Valley. This project, approved by the Board on August 2, 2022, will include an Olympic-sized pool, a practice pool, and other amenities, including classrooms, changing rooms, and a public park. Situated on the former Temple Academy site in the West Puente Valley, the aquatic center will offer a range of water activities, from swimming lessons to youth sports, at little or no cost to County residents, creating a safe and accessible space year-round. This facility will serve as a crucial resource, especially for the unincorporated communities of Avocado Heights, Bassett, Valinda, and Rowland Heights. The center will also act as a vital cooling center through its aquatic amenities, providing needed relief that has become increasingly important during summer months when County residents, especially those in areas like the San Gabriel Valley, are subject to increasing extreme heat events.

Having represented the San Gabriel Valley and many communities that would benefit from this center for decades across multiple elected offices, Supervisor Hilda L.

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Solis recognized the need for this project and has championed the creation of the center since its proposal in 2019. The initiative is especially significant to the Supervisor, who is from the Puente Valley and attended the elementary school where this new center will be located. She has advanced this project to ensure that communities – many with limited access to aquatic facilities – can enjoy year-round access to water recreation. The center will provide swimming lessons, water exercise, lap swimming, and youth sports opportunities upon completion.

In recognition and appreciation of Supervisor Solis' efforts to expand aquatic and recreational activities for residents that have long advocated for these services, it is appropriate to rename this project from the "San Gabriel Valley Aquatic Center Project" to the: Hilda L. Solis Aquatic Center

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors approve the naming of the San Gabriel Valley Aquatic Center Project as the: Hilda L. Solis Aquatic Center

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