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Six Qualify as City Council Candidates



The official nomination period for the two open City Council seats ends Dec. 13.

BY ERIC LICAS

Six people with a history of public service in Beverly Hills have confirmed their candidacy for two City Council seats opening up in the 2024 election, with others likely to follow before the official nomination period ends on Dec. 13.

Several had submitted documents with the Fair Political Practices Commission

before the official nomination period began on Nov. 13, allowing them to open bank accounts and lay the foundations for their campaigns early. However, prospective candidates aren't officially considered on the ballot until they file with the City Clerk's office.

As of press time, Alissa Roston, Mary Wells, Sharon Persovski, Myra Demeter, See COUNCIL CANDIDATES, page 13

NASA Engineer Nooshin Meshkaty Launches 2024 City Council Campaign

BY CLARA HARTER

Her friends know her as a rocket scientist, the community as former School Board President, and her family as a devoted mother; now Nooshin Meshkaty has her eyes set on a new title— City Council member.

The longtime Beverly Hills resident launched her campaign this week and is hoping that her technological expertise and impressive record of community leadership will set her apart in a crowded field of candidates.

"My whole reason for running is to be able to do more for the community," she told the Courier. "I want to do as much as I can to resolve issues and concerns that community



Nooshin Meshkaty

members have and bring a vision to take us in line with 21st-century technologies."

Meshkaty works as an Instrument See MESHKATY, page 13

Six Hundred Attend Community Breakfast for Israel

BY RYAN TOROK

More than 600 attendees gathered at Jewish National Fund-USA's (JNF-USA) annual Breakfast for Israel, held on Nov. 28 at the Skirball Cultural Center, to express their support for the Jewish state, stand strong against antisemitism and support the work of JNF-USA.

The breakfast coincided with Giving Tuesday, a day of global philanthropy held on the first Tuesday after Thanksgiving.

"Every year, JNF-USA has a national matching grant to leverage Giving Tuesday," JNF-USA Greater Los Angeles Director Neuriel Shore told the Courier in a phone interview. "We schedule the L.A. breakfast to be on that day to incentivize people to give."

In attendance at the early morning breakfast were four survivors of the Oct. 7 shooting spree at an Israeli music festival, where nearly 300 young Israelis were gunned down by Hamas terrorists.

According to JNF-USA, Daniel Sharabi; Neriya Sharabi; Shalev Yehoshua; and Oshari Coen, the survivors, "were deeply moved to see Los Angeles gathering in support of the Jewish Homeland."

Additional attendees included Beverly Hills Mayor Julian Gold, Beverly Hills Fire See BREAKFAST FOR ISRAEL, page 5

BHPD Arrests Robbery Suspects

BY ANA FIGUEROA

The Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD) has taken part in a joint operation leading to arrests in the series of armed robberies that plagued the Southland from July through October of this year. Two of those incidents took place in Beverly Hills: in August on the 500 block of N. Beverly Drive and in September on the 700 Block of Hilcrest Drive.

The BHPD made several robbery and gun-related arrests in connection with the Beverly Hills cases. Those investigations, in turn, led detectives to realize that the same suspects were possibly involved in crimes in other jurisdictions.

See ROBBERY SUSPECTS, page 11

Courier Calendar

NOW - DEC. 3

VIBRATO GRILL JAZZ: ADAM “AEJAYE” JACKSON, BILL CANTOS AND FRIENDS AND GEORGE KAHN JAZZ AND BLUES REVUE

7 P.M., 7:30 P.M., 9:30 P.M.

Vibrato Grill Jazz will host three shows from Dec. 1-3. Adam “Aejaye” Jackson plays R&B, Soul and Jazz on Dec. 1. On Dec. 2, Bill Cantos and Friends perform featuring Hussain Jiffry (bass and vocals), John Ferraro (drums) and Danny Janklow (sax and flute). Both shows go on at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. with cover priced at \$25. On Dec. 3, George Kahn Jazz and Blue Revue play a high-energy jazz, blues and R&B show. There is one performance at 7:30 p.m. with cover priced at \$30 or \$15 at the bar. Reservations are available online.

vibratogrilljazz.com

NOW - DEC. 3

WESTSIDE BALLET OF SANTA MONICA: “NUTCRACKER”

1 P.M., 5 P.M.

Westside Ballet of Santa Monica presents its 50th-anniversary celebration of “The Nutcracker,” Southern California’s longest-running rendition at The Eli and Edythe Broad Stage. Since its debut in 1973, this production has become a tradition, captivating audiences with its magical allure. Three Westside Ballet alumni—special guest stars Tiler Peck, Lucia Connolly and Lyrica Woodruff—will each take center stage as the Sugar Plum Fairy. The Eli and Edythe Broad Stage is located at 1310 11th St., Santa Monica. Tickets are \$60.

westsideballet.com

NOW - DEC. 17

BEVERLY HILLS PLAYHOUSE: “BOB’S OFFICE HOLIDAY PARTY”
FRI.-SAT. 8 P.M.
SUN. 7 P.M.

Beverly Hills Playhouse presents the 25th season of “Bob’s Office Holiday Party.” In the show, every year, insurance agent Bob Finhead’s whacked out friends and clients stop by his small-town Iowa office for their annual holiday bash. The town mayor, the sheriff, the twin farmer sisters, the stoner, the town floozy and the pastor’s wife have already RSVP’d for this year’s event. But Bob has dreams of a bigger life and wants to escape their narrow-minded thinking. The Beverly Hills Playhouse is located at 254 S. Robertson Blvd., Beverly Hills. General admission is \$35 and VIP admission is \$45. The show runs for approximately 90 minutes and is recommended for audiences 16 and older. onstage411.com/BHOP

NOW - DEC. 17

THEATRE 40: “THE HALF-LIGHT”
SAT. 7:30 P.M., SUN. 2 P.M.

Theatre 40 presents the West Coast premiere of “The Half-Life” by Monica Wood. After an intriguing encounter with a psychic, a college secretary asks herself if certain people can be trained to see the dead. Iris’s pursuit of an answer leads to a more earthbound challenge when her beloved colleague, Andrew, is suddenly felled by grief. Armed with her own intuition and the garrulous enthusiasm of her friend Helen, Iris attempts to coax Andrew back to the land of the living. In the meantime, Helen faces off with her daughter, Teresa, who believes her house is haunted. These four characters’ entwined journeys all tilt toward the same goal: to be fully seen in the light and the half-light by another living being. Tickets are \$35. Theatre 40 is located at 241 S. Moreno Drive, Beverly Hills. The venue

is on the campus of Beverly Hills High School.

theatre40.org

NOW - JAN. 7, 2024

THE HOLIDAY ICE RINK
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The Holiday Ice Rink at Pershing Square reopens with performances this year as part of the annual tree lighting. At 7,200 square feet, it is the city’s largest outdoor rink and offers visitors professional-quality ice for skating and entertainment. Wednesday nights are DJ Spotlight Nights, featuring performances from local DJs. The rink also participates in the City of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation Winter Festival on Dec. 16. Located at 532 South Olive St., Los Angeles, this landmark destination is easily accessible by car, bus, Metro (Pershing Square stop) or Metrolink. General admission to the rink, including skate rental, is \$20, locker rental is \$5, and skate helpers are \$6. Tickets can be purchased in advance online. holidayicerinkdowntownla.com

NOW - JAN. 31, 2024

THE DR. SEUSS EXPERIENCE

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the towering clovers while listening closely for a Who from “Horton Hears a Who!” The experience will also feature a Dr. Seuss perspective art sculpture by Michael Murphy, a nostalgic Dr. Seuss Museum with original artwork and books along with a reading theater for guests to listen to their Dr. Seuss favorites. The experience is hosted at Santa Monica Place at 395 Santa Monica Place, Santa Monica. Ticket prices vary by time slot and arrival flexibility and are available online.

losangeles.experiencesseuss.com

DEC. 2 - 3

LUMIERE CINEMA: FRENCH COMEDY CLUB

Lumiere Cinema presents a selection of the latest French comedies, shown for the first time in the U.S., just after their release in France. The third edition of the French Comedy Club includes four new French comedies: “A Difficult Year” by Eric Toledano and Olivier Nakache, “Only 3 Days Left” by Tarek Boudali, “Second Round” by Albert Dupontel and “The Midwife” by Jennifer Devoldère, followed by a Q&A with midwives from Los Angeles. All movies will be screened in French with English subtitles. Screenings will take place at Lumiere Cinema, 9036 Wilshire Blvd, Beverly Hills.

www.thefrenchcomedyclub.com

DEC. 7

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS: MENORAH LIGHTING CELEBRATION
5:30-6:30 P.M.

The city of Beverly Hills presents the annual Menorah Lighting Celebration. The city invites attendees to share the spirit of Hanukkah and the festival of lights with the Beverly Hills City Council. The ceremony will take place at the Beverly Gardens Park Lily Pond on Santa Monica Boulevard between North Cañon Drive and North Beverly Drive in Beverly Hills.

beverlyhills.org

DEC. 9

THEATRICUM BOTANICUM: HOLIDAY FAMILY FAIRE
11 A.M.-5 P.M.

Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum presents the third annual Holiday Family Faire at its spectacular outdoor venue in Topanga, where carolers, singing madrigals and other performers roam the grounds, Theatricum company members tell winter holiday stories from a variety of traditions. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be available to take family photos. An artisan marketplace will offer holiday gifts and crafts, and festive food and drink will be available for purchase. Caroling with Theatricum company members and a special outdoor screening of “The Muppet Christmas Carol” will begin immediately after the Faire at 5 p.m. (available with Faire admission for an additional \$20 or separate admission for \$25.)

theatricum.com



Photo courtesy of Beverly Hills Playhouse

The cast of “Bob’s Holiday Party” at the Beverly Hills Playhouse until Dec. 17



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Rec and Parks Commission Recaps Successful Fall Events



The Department of Community Services Showcase takes place March 5.

BY JOEY WALDINGER

The end of the year is always a time for celebration, and during its last regular meeting of 2023, the Beverly Hills Recreation and Parks Commission on Nov. 28 recapped successful fall events while previewing the festivities to come.

After an Oct. 29 Fall Funtastic that featured a pumpkin carving contest, Día de Los Muertos activities and a spooky story-time, the Beverly Hills Farmers' Market will come alive with holiday cheer once again for the Holiday Craft Fair and Cookie Baking

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Larry Thompson Launches Second Bid for Congress



Larry Thompson

BY JOEY WALDINGER

In his second bid to represent the 32nd Congressional District, which includes Beverly Hills and much of West Los Angeles, longtime Hollywood executive Larry Thompson is hoping to end the polarization that has crippled American politics and exacerbated the

biggest issues facing district voters.

Thompson previously ran as an independent against the then-incumbent Karen Bass (D) and documentary filmmaker Errol Webber in 2020, losing by a wide margin after receiving 6,795 votes, according to Ballotpedia.

He said the experience demonstrated a climate of fear in which unpopular opinions are silenced, and made him realize that many voters, especially Democrats, are blinded by party allegiance. As a "moderate Republican," Thompson hopes to appeal to voters on both sides of the aisle and prod disillusioned Democrats to reconsider how they vote.

"All these labels that people slot themselves in, unfortunately, that doesn't give us room to really talk about what we're doing and what we're saying and what we're feeling," Thompson told the Courier. "You can't solve political issues with slogans."

Originally from Mississippi, Thompson has spent more than 50 years in the entertainment industry in L.A. as a talent manager, lawyer and producer, among other roles. Though Thompson has never held political office, he has been informally involved in politics for
See LARRY THOMPSON, page 10

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BREAKFAST FOR ISRAEL, from page 1
Chief Greg Barton and members of the Beverly Hills Fire Department. As Jewish people around the world are facing sharp increases in antisemitism and Israel is combatting criticism over its retaliatory strikes in the Gaza Strip, JNF-USA leadership acknowledged the city of Beverly Hills' longstanding solidarity with the State of Israel.

"Beverly Hills, in general, has been extremely [supportive]," Shore, head of JNF-USA's regional chapter, said. "Let's just say the city is a haven for the Jewish community. The past several mayors have been Jewish and very pro-Israel—whether Julian Gold or Lili Bosse or John Mirisch, all these people are very pro-Israel and are friends of JNF-USA. Every year at our Breakfast for Israel, we have some sort of Beverly Hills representation."

Consul General of Israel in Los Angeles Israel Bachar also turned out.

The total amount of funds raised at the recent event was not immediately available. But in response to the October massacre of approximately 1,200 Israeli civilians in the country's southern region, JNF-USA has raised \$30 million for emergency relief in Israel, according to Shore. Funds are aiding the 300,000 Israelis who were evacuated from their homes in the aftermath of the attack.

JNF-USA is also providing trauma therapy, food security, and firefighting and

protective equipment as well as assistance for the elderly, the infirm and soldiers.

The annual Breakfast for Israel is a complimentary event that encourages charitable giving. Past breakfasts have featured high-profile pro-Israel speakers, including pollster Frank Luntz and Alon Ben-Gurion, grandson of Israel's first prime minister.

JNF-USA chapters across the country convene the breakfasts. Typically, the annual gathering in Los Angeles is held at a venue in the city, such as the Beverly Hilton or Beverly Wilshire, A Four Seasons Hotel.

But this year, for the first time, it took place at the Skirball Cultural Center as part of an effort to attract not only Westside attendees but JNF-USA supporters from the Valley as well.

Inside the Skirball on Nov. 28, large Israeli flags draped the walls. Cups of coffee and glasses of orange juice, along with plates of croissants and fresh fruit, lined the banquet tables. As the Special in Uniform band performed Matisyahu's "One Day," attendees waved tiny blue-and-white flags from their seats.

Special in Uniform, an affiliate of JNF-USA, provides young adults with disabilities and autism the opportunity to train and serve on Israel Defense Forces (IDF) bases, underscoring the IDF commitment to not only a military role-but also a social one. Ultimately, the goal of the program is enhancing inclusion and integration

throughout Israeli society.

"To my knowledge, there's no other military in the world that goes to such lengths to address soldiers with special needs while having them shine," Shore said. "Members of the Special in Uniform Band serve as ambassadors for the innovative program."

Israel Defense Forces Lieutenant Colonel (Res.) Tiran Attia, director of Special in Uniform, spoke at the breakfast. He sat on a panel along with Rabbi Dr. Mark Goldfeder, director of the National Jewish Advocacy Center, and Fresno State Professor Erin Stafford Dormedy, a recent participant

of JNF-USA's faculty fellowship, enabling non-Jewish academics to travel to Israel and connect with Israeli peers.

Husband-and-wife Robin Nourmand and Sepideh Makabi co-chaired the event.

In his remarks, Nourmand, a member of the JNF-USA Los Angeles board, highlighted the power of people gathering at such a challenging time for Israel and the world.

"Together, we are one family," Nourmand said. "While our hearts have broken, it is together that we heal, build, and triumph over hatred and evil." ●



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Panelists Professor Erin Stafford Dormedy, Lt. Col. Tiran Attia and Rabbi Dr. Mark Goldfeder



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Courier in Italy



Beverly Hills resident Greg Promani recently traveled to visit family in Genova, Italy, where he posed against the backdrop of the city's famous harbor.

Homeboy Industries CEO Addresses Rotary

The CEO of Homeboy Industries, Thomas Vozzo, addressed the Rotary Club of Beverly on Nov. 27. Vozzo, a former Fortune 200 executive, has led DTLA's Homeboy Industries, the largest gang rehabilitation and re-entry organization in the world, since 2012. His first book, "The Homeboy Way," centered around the ideals of compassion, kinship, empathy, and social justice, was published by Loyola Press.



Rotary Club President Lillian Raffel with Vozzo at the Nov. 27 luncheon

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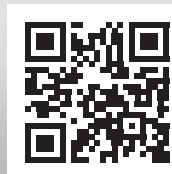
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‘Merrily We Roll Along’—Roll While You Can



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Daniel Radcliffe (Charley Kringas), Jonathan Groff (Franklin Shepard) and Natalie Wachen (KT)

BY NEELY SWANSON

Originally produced in 1981 and a very famous flop, “Merrily We Roll Along” is now the biggest hit on Broadway and deservedly so.

Stephen Sondheim and George Furth had a major success with “Company,” a musical whose structure defied the traditional approach of a single plot line, instead telling the story of a commitment-phobic bachelor looking at the marriages of his friends, each in single vignettes disguised as scenes. A decade later they teamed up to make “Merrily We Roll Along,” based on a 1934 play by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart. Following the structure of the source material, “Merrily We Roll Along” tracks a trio of friends in reverse with the end as the beginning and the beginning as the end. Pay attention. There will be a quiz.

We meet Franklin Shepard, movie producer, as he hosts a party at his Bel Air estate for his friends honoring the success of his latest production. Alone in a room full of people, his celebratory motions are hollow as he flirts with his young star and ignores his bitter wife. He’s wooing wife number three as wife number two angrily looks on. He’s at the top of the heap and it is clear that he is cynical, dissatisfied, alone and lost. It is 1976, and someone has the nerve to bring up his former writing partner, Charley Kringas, recent recipient of the Pulitzer Prize. He, Charlie and Mary Flynn, were, at one point, an inseparable trio. Only the very cynical Mary, formerly a novelist and now a professional alcoholic, an unwelcome guest at the party and reminder of the past, still remains. Soon, as the various interchangeable members of the company

sing “Merrily We Roll Along,” as ironic as it’s meant to be, we are transported back to 1973 as Charley and Frank are about to be interviewed on a popular morning show. The focus is on Frank, the more celebrated “face” of this musical writing duo as he talks of his, I mean their, work with false modesty. When, finally, Charley is asked about their collaboration, he lets Frank have it with both barrels of his frustration on national television. And that, ladies and gentlemen, is the explanation of why, three years in the future, Charley is not at the party as well as why he may have found the release to write the work he had always been trying to write.

Each successive, well actually backward glance is a puzzle piece that informs the previous scene, a major departure from traditional story structure where you see the actions that caused the consequence in linear form. Here, you first view the consequence and then the causation until, eventually, you arrive at the beginning that has been informed by the past rather than the opposite. You see his divorce before you see the why. All the “ah ha” moments are to come, until finally the puzzle is solved about who he was. It’s a very tricky structure and ultimately more satisfying than if we watched the consequences of actions unfold chronologically. This is not easy on an audience because “Attention must be paid!” The regrets of a lifetime are played out in reverse.

In many ways, this is the story of a Faust who succumbs to the temptations placed in front of him by Mephistopheles. Franklin is Faust who wants more than the treasures he already possesses. Mephistopheles is Gussie, wife number two who dangles sex

and commercial success in front of him so tantalizingly that he is helpless, or perhaps too vain, to turn them down. Watch for all the incarnations of Gussie as she, herself, travels a devious and narcissistic path that you will also see in reverse, always hauntingly leering in the background of the three friends and Franklin’s wife Beth.

“Merrily We Roll Along” has had a checkered history. First produced in 1981 with a very young cast, a major blunder because it is the adults who drive the story, its muddled staging was more confusing than edifying. Always ascribing the difficulties to Furth’s book, many hopeful productions followed. I have loved this play since I saw a production in 1985 at the La Jolla Playhouse starring John Rubenstein, Chip Zein, Meredith McRae and Marin Mazzie, a dream cast to rival the present one. I never saw it as flawed or hard to follow. This should have been the indication that the right cast is imperative, something that other productions failed to see. But no one gave up on this musical and cuts were made to the script, tightening the story and finally in 2012 a new version premiered in London at the Menier Chocolate Factory, transferring to the London West End, which was a hit, critically and commercially. I saw the filmed version that was released, but unlike the National Theatre Live series, the magic didn’t translate. It took 10 years, but the London version made its way across the pond, first to the tiny New York Theater Workshop and finally to Broadway. It is nothing short of a triumph.

In analyzing what I think were the major changes to the script, this new version focuses primarily on Franklin. In the past, more time was spent on the group as

a trio, but though Charley is still enough of a major character to help drive the story even when he’s not there, Mary’s role has been diminished. That she has always loved Franklin and always been disappointed does not need a significant footprint in the story. One can easily surmise that her alcoholism, seen in full bloom at the party (again, the end of the story) is the result of crushed dreams and lost love, expositionally referred to by many other characters as in “Is Frank the only one who doesn’t see that she’s in love with him?” But this is something that actually adds depth because it is enough of a story point to highlight his narcissism and callous use of her. Beth, Franklin’s wife, is more present than I had remembered her. In so many ways she’s the angel on his shoulder that he chooses to brush off when someone dangles a shiny object in front of him. And again, you see the result of her disillusionment before you see the cause. Even more, however, is the character of Gussie, someone I did remember as wife number two but missed her presence in scenes that added to those that came before (or, rather, after but told before).

In short, the way that the story is told, starting out at the end, adds dramatic impact to the way it was at the beginning. It is nothing short of breathtaking.

Maria Friedman, who directed the Menier Chocolate Factory version, directs this production with the same clarity, intelligence and passion. Her staging is so remarkably simple that you never notice the set changes until you are midway in the scene. Lighting, a few pieces of furniture, a stairway and a piano are rearranged to

See ‘MERRILY,’ page 10

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'MERRILY,' from page 8

represent a Bel Air mansion, a penthouse apartment, a downtown club and more. The ensemble singing "Merrily We Roll Along" introduces all the yearly transitions, beginning in 1976 and ending in 1957.

As was true in the 1985 version that I saw, this play is very cast dependent and Friedman's cast is extraordinary. The evening I saw the play, the role of Mary Flynn, normally played by Lindsay Mendez, was played by Jamila Sabares-Klemm. She was wonderful, but a reminder that much of that role has now been reshaped and cut. Katie Rose Clarke plays Beth, Frank's wife (seen first as they divorce). Krystal Joy Brown is Gussie, the gorgeous, seductive temptress who drives much of Frank's story without us realizing it. It is only at the beginning (I mean the end) of the play that he is jaded enough to see it, but it will take all of the previous years to fill in that information for us. Hers is a sly, subversive portrayal where she and Frank get what they paid for.

Daniel Radcliff is a triumphant success as Charley, the partner left behind who wins in the end. He has a show-stopping number called "Franklin Shepard, Inc." that will make you forget that he was ever Harry Potter. Like Neil Patrick Harris looking to distance himself from "Doogie Howser," Radcliff has taken enormous care to build up a repertoire of Broadway roles that illustrate just how good an actor (and singer) he is.

This production of "Merrily We Roll

Along" would not succeed without an actor willing to plumb the depths of unsympathetic narcissism and that actor is Jonathan Groff. With Groff, Friedman found an actor who could find the weaknesses and dark parts of this character. As the plot unspools in reverse, we see who he became before we see how he started, yielding maximum dramatic impact on what was lost. The song "Old Friends" takes on a different meaning as the years flash back. "Here's to us. Who's like us? Damn few."

But there was always the music and it lived on regardless of some of the woe begotten productions. You may not even realize that "Our Time" – "It's our time, breathe it in. Worlds to change and worlds to win" came from this. So did "Not a Day Goes by" – "Not a day goes by, not a blessed day. But you're still somehow part of my life and you won't go away." (Bernadette Peters' heartbreaking version can be found on YouTube.) All of the music is wonderful and with each reprise the songs take on a different meaning, something that is especially true for the title song "Merrily We Roll Along" that, depending on the time frame in which it's sung, can be cynical or hopeful.

So, drop everything, get a ticket, hop on a plane and don't miss "Merrily We Roll Along." At present there are no plans to extend the run beyond March 24.

Now playing at the Hudson Theatre, 141 West 44th St., NY, NY ●



Photo courtesy of Matthew Murphy

"The Merrily We Roll Along" Company



Editor's Note: The Courier is proud to announce that our contributing entertainment editor Neely Swanson is a finalist in the the Los Angeles Press Club National Arts & Entertainment Journalism Awards. The prestigious awards are given to writers across the nation for journalistic excellence, career achievement and contributions to society. Neely is a finalist in the "Columnist" category, along with distinguished writers from the L.A. Times, Variety and Bloomberg News. We hope readers will join us in wishing Neely "good luck" at the awards ceremony, which takes place on Dec. 3 at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel.

NEWS

LARRY THOMPSON, from page 4

years, serving as an "informal advisor" and speechwriter for Ronald Reagan and Gerald Ford, he said.

He added that his extensive entertainment experience has also prepared him to serve in Congress.

"I've spent over 50 years representing major stars. I take care of them. I listen to them carefully; I nurture their dreams ... I do everything for them. I am a giver, that's what my nature is, that's what my profession is," Thompson said. "Now I want to take all that experience I have and help people who are not necessarily movie stars. I want to help the normal person who has problems, who has needs, and I want to give him the professional representation I've given many special people."

His policy priorities include tackling the homelessness and housing crises. Thompson did not provide specific policy proposals for these issues, though he criticized the measures passed by Governor Gavin Newsom, cautioned against excessive spending and said that building more housing alone would not solve the problem.

"Each person on the street has a story as to how they got there," Thompson said. "We have to hold their hand, listen to them and treat them as to how they got there. Housing them, yes, but we [also] have to fix the core problem."

Thompson also advocates for longstanding conservative goals like lowering taxes, and is opposed to Measure ULA, an initiative passed last year that raises money for affordable housing in Los Angeles by taxing the sale of properties over \$5 million. Thompson called the measure "invalid and unconstitutional," and said that he would support litigation that

challenges it.

Thompson's platform also includes securing the United States border with Mexico and implementing immigration reform, which he said has been overlooked by the federal government.

"You cannot convince me that they are already trying to guard the border [while] letting millions of people in," Thompson said. "I guarantee you this: If we made efforts, if we set out to secure the border, we'd get a lot more security in place than we have now."

While Thompson said he is equally focused on local issues like fixing potholes in Benedict Canyon, it is important as a candidate to address national issues, and that unrestricted immigration would affect his future constituents.

"Anybody who lives on the Westside who thinks that having an open border doesn't or will not affect them is naïve," Thompson said. "When you add up immigration with homelessness, it starts to complicate the problem."

Thompson then repeated a central promise of his candidacy: that he would provide a platform for everybody to voice their opinions, even if unpopular.

"I don't want to come off as indifferent to the world's problems. I don't want to come off as indifferent to people in general. I don't want to come off as not compassionate. I just have a different way to [solve problems]," Thompson said.

"We have such a great state. We have so many different resources. We have so many intelligent people. We have so many good people who want to do good things. But unfortunately, we silenced a lot of them. We've made it dangerous for a lot of them. And a lot of people don't want to stand up and face that. So, I am." ●

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REC AND PARKS, from page 4

Contest on Dec. 10, Recreation Supervisor Evan Doyle said.

Bakers in the cookie contest will compete for first prize as well as special categories including best-tasting and best-looking cookie, while the craft fair will allow attendees to shop for a range of artisan gifts including candles, jewelry and repurposed denim, Doyle said.

He added that 19 people have registered for the cookie baking contest and encouraged anyone interested to sign up soon.

Commission Vice Chair Amie Sherry commended staff for turning the Farmers' Market into a hub of community celebrations.

"I'm really impressed with all that you've been doing this year," Sherry said. "As we've come back from the pandemic you've really hit it out of the park. You've had event after event and they've really all been incredible."

The craft fair and baking contest will be followed by the Roxbury Variety Show on Dec. 11, where Beverly Hills seniors will showcase talents including poetry, dancing and acting.

Even with the holiday season in full swing, the commission began preparing for next year's Community Services Department Showcase, on March 10, where parents can learn about Beverly Hills' summer camp offerings.

Held at the Beverly Hills Farmers' Market, the showcase will introduce parents to summer camp "vendors," giving them a chance to ask questions, obtain discounts and plan for registration the following month, Recreation Services Manager Adrine Ovaspyan said.

Registration for residents opens at 9 a.m. on April 10, and registration for non-residents opens at 9 a.m. on April 17, Ovaspyan said. She added that camps fill up quickly, and she advised parents to log on early to make sure they secure a spot and avoid

potential glitches.

Commissioner Deborah Termei suggested that organizers host a booth demonstrating how to register online and asked if summer camp offerings could include community service opportunities for teenagers, or opportunities for teenagers to shadow City Councilmembers and learn more about civic life.

Ovaspyan said that staff is considering several new teen programs this summer, including a camp counselor-in-training program, though she is always open to new suggestions.

She added that the number of camps is limited by the available field space across the city, and Commissioner JR Dzubak asked if staff could increase the number of camps by hosting some at El Rodeo Elementary School, which is currently under construction but scheduled to be completed next summer.

"We would love to have [the offerings] expand," Ovaspyan said. "The school site we will be at may determine if we can add more or not."

In the months ahead, Commission Chair Myra Lurie encouraged Ovaspyan and her colleagues to talk with camp staff about how to improve the overall experience.

"It's a great opportunity in the next few months as you're planning towards summer to really sit down with your [Recreation and Parks] staff who have participated each summer and get some feedback on what works and what doesn't," Lurie said.

Lurie also said she and Dzubak have held ad hoc meetings to discuss changes to the city's pickleball offerings, including changes to the reservations system and court locations. Dzubak and Lurie provided few details about the proposed changes but said they may return to the commission in January with more concrete recommendations. ●

ROBBERY SUSPECTS, from page 1

BHPD coordinated with local agencies including the Santa Monica Police Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department West Hollywood Division, Los Angeles Police Department Robbery-Homicide Division, LA IMPACT, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Working together, BHPD and its partner agencies identified suspects in six robberies in L.A. County. As a result, search warrants were executed in both Southern California and Arizona. Those warrants resulted in the recovery of property from two victims of a Beverly Hills robbery, as well as additional items including luxury watches, jewelry and weapons.

As a result of the efforts of the BHPD and fellow agencies, the L.A. County District Attorney's Organized Crime Division has charged Justice Bloodworth, 21, of Los Angeles, with four counts of PC 211 robbery, one count of PC 182 conspiracy, and one count of PC 2800.2 VC felony reckless

evading. Bloodworth was out on bail for armed robbery at the time these robberies were committed.

The District Attorney has also charged Cameron Woods-Harvey, 23, of Long Beach, with three counts of PC 211, PC 182 and two weapons charges.

In a statement to the Courier, BHPD Lt. Reginald Evans noted, "The Beverly Hills Police Department is proud to serve the residents and visitors of the city of Beverly Hills. We will continue to investigate crimes to the fullest, in conjunction with our law enforcement partners."

The BHPD encourages anyone with additional information to call 310-285-2125. To remain anonymous, text BHPDALERT followed by the tip information to 888777. Information can also be relayed via Crime Stoppers at 800-222-8477. To access Crime Stoppers, download the "P3 Tips" Mobile APP or use the website <http://www.lacrimestoppers.org>. ●



The Beverly Vista Middle School 8th Grade Boys Flag Football team made it to the championships after enjoying an undefeated season. Despite their valiant efforts, they lost to Lincoln Middle School 36-46 but deserve congratulations for a great year.

Next stop: more subway.

PURPLE (D LINE) EXTENSION TRANSIT PROJECT
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WILSHIRE/LA CIENEGA STATION ENTRANCE WORK

Contractors are restoring the sidewalk, curbs and gutters along the north side of Wilshire Bl. Two lanes of traffic will be maintained in each direction during peak hours. No work will take place on Christmas Day or New Years Day. Happy Holidays!

Join us for an in-person community meeting to discuss construction activities:
 Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 6pm
 Municipal Gallery at Beverly Hills City Hall
 455 N Rexford Dr, Beverly Hills, CA 90210

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Birthdays



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November 30



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Astrology

BY HOLIDAY MATIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're participating in something like a game, though many things about it are more important than the win. For instance, you'll love who you meet, the skills you hone and the feeling of being on a team.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). With the right frame of mind, all can feel centered and settled. Work on it. Turn your scene around a few times in your head so you can get the perspective right. When you're powerful in your mind, you're powerful in the world.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It feels good to be needed, but the feeling comes after the fact. Moments of service seem like a blur. Later, when you note your sense of fulfillment and miss the satisfaction of problem-solving, you'll sign up for more.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The truth is deeply layered, with pockets of mystery sewn into it. This leaves room for your interpretation. You'll assemble a lovely, empowering, if incomplete story and get comfortable carrying a question.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're well aware that having access to something doesn't make it yours. There are entitled and discourteous folks around, but don't waste time worrying about them. Rest easy knowing you contribute to a respectful society.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your awareness of others is heightened today, and you'll lean into the team spirit. You'll notice who needs the assist before they ask for it. And when it's your turn, you'll take the help and carry the project on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You have plenty of room in your life for good influences. New people enter your realm. Those who are already in your life may need to adjust. Be prepared to give extra care and assurances as needed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You don't always have to know what a thing means right away to know that it's significant. You collect the "signs" to be interpreted later. The important thing is that you're observant. Insights will come at the perfect moment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your intentions are pure, and you're just not getting the reaction you desire. It's possible you're giving the right thing

to the wrong people. Find a different audience and test out the theory.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). People make mistakes. You have no problem issuing an apology when you're in the wrong. But this time, you're not. You're the one due an apology and you'll eventually get it. If given another chance, they'll treat you better.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When the ego thinks something is essential, it can produce cravings beyond

the physical. Gratitude inoculates you from false need. Differentiating between need and want will save you money and trouble.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There is always someone worse off than you, and better off too. Thanks to recent associations, you now have a fresh perspective and a rare sense of objectivity for your own experience and position.



This week's eligible dog for adoption is Fannie. This former stray terrier-chihuahua mix from Bakersfield is 2 years old and 9 pounds. She was nearly sent to a kill shelter, but a good Samaritan decided to find a rescue. To meet Fannie, please contact Shelter of Hope at 805-379-3538.

shelterhopepetshop.org



Nooshin Meshkaty and her family in front of Beverly Hills City Hall with the 2024 Candidate Handbook. Pictured (from left): Shahyad (son), Yar (husband), Nooshin, Azadeh (daughter) and Camyar (son)

MESHKATY, from page 1

Electronics Engineering Manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory where she oversees 22 team members. She believes her sharp mind is well suited to advancing key goals for the city such as enhancing public safety, supporting local businesses and fostering a culture of innovation.

"When you learn to have critical thinking and an analytical mind it becomes a way of life," she said. "It becomes routine for you to think outside the box and be able to come up with solutions that people in different areas of work may not be able to."

"I think that's one area that sets me apart."

Meshkaty demonstrated her technology forward mindset while serving on BHUSD School Board from 2005 to 2009. During this time, she spearheaded an effort to bring Wi-Fi to all campuses and volunteered her time on the weekend to help teachers learn to use computers.

Fast forward over a decade and technology has advanced immensely, but Meshkaty is still committed to leveraging the latest developments to serve the community.

"As artificial intelligence is growing and technology is changing day-to-day, our priorities remain safety and security, community building, improving our education and increasing sustainability," she said. "We can do so much more to advance all of that by embracing technology."

In addition to serving as School Board President, Meshkaty has held leadership positions on the Traffic and Parking Commission, GIRL Inc., Board of Directors, Farhang Foundation and Visionary Women Circle. She has also completed the Beverly Hills Police Department Citizen Police Academy and is a Team Beverly Hills alumna.

She prides herself on her track record of rapidly implementing solutions. For example, while serving on the Traffic and

Parking Commission she advocated to install temporary traffic safety cones at a dangerous intersection when the city said it would take months to study the problem and implement permanent traffic calming measures.

"When I was serving on the commission, if someone came forward with a legitimate safety concern, I made sure that we responded to them in the quickest way possible," she said.

Meshkaty seeks to bring this flexible problem-solving mindset to City Council and ensure that bureaucratic processes don't hinder the speed of solutions.

She also plans to bring her tenacity and willpower, which she has honed through accomplishments like running seven marathons and overcoming major challenges such as breast cancer.

"I always try to make people understand that we become stronger by facing the problems in our way," she said. "We must be resilient when facing problems or diseases and not give into it."

"That has really become my attitude in dealing with life in general."

In addition to her resilience, Meshkaty credits her strong community of friends and family for carrying her through her battle with breast cancer. Now, this same community is encouraging her to run for council.

Meshkaty has had a fierce love for Beverly Hills since she moved to the city from Iran at age 15. She graduated from Beverly Hills High School in 1979 and, alongside her husband Yar Meshkaty, watched with pride as her three children passed through the BHUSD system.

If elected, she seeks to help usher in the next generation of leaders and ensure the city remains appealing to its younger population. ●

COUNCIL CANDIDATES, from page 1

Craig Corman and Nooshin Meshkaty had made their City Council bids official.

Corman has lived in Beverly Hills for over 50 years and is a retired attorney who specialized in entertainment industry issues. He was a Beverly Hills Planning Commissioner for three terms from 2009 to 2017 and is now a member of the Beverly Hills Cultural Heritage Commission.

"Beverly Hills is facing unprecedented challenges that need to be effectively managed if we're going to maintain the quality of life we've all come to expect and enjoy," Corman told the Courier in a statement earlier this month. "I've lived in Beverly Hills for a long time, so I understand the history of the city and how it has changed and developed, and I have a proven track record of solving difficult problems."

Meshkaty (see separate page 1 profile) is a computer scientist who has worked in the aerospace industry since 1988, and a longtime resident with a history of civic engagement.

Demeter and Persovski filed their paperwork last week, securing their spots on the ballot on Nov. 22.

Demeter is a professor with a Ph.D. in mathematics education who has taught at UCLA, Brooklyn College and the University of Hawaii Hilo. She has called Beverly Hills home for 27 years and has been involved in local government for decades. She currently sits on the Beverly Hills Planning

Commission and has been a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain for 15 years.

"I am running to be a voice for our residents to maintain our quality of life and world-class services as Beverly Hills enters a period of immense change, external pressures and opportunities," Demeter told the Courier in a statement.

Persovski is a former member of the Architectural Commission and the founder of a nonprofit called Smiles Through Art.

Wells confirmed her candidacy with city officials on Nov. 16. She sits on the Beverly Hills Unified School District Board of Education and was its president as schools reopened following the pandemic.

Roston was also a former Beverly Hills Unified School District Board of Education president and was previously the local Rotary Club President and a member of the Parks and Recreation Commissioner. She formalized her bid for City Council on Nov. 13, the same day the nomination period opened.

At least one other prospective candidate, owner and president of Quay Entertainment Tiffany Davis, has announced her intention to run but had not yet submitted her nomination forms as of press time. ●

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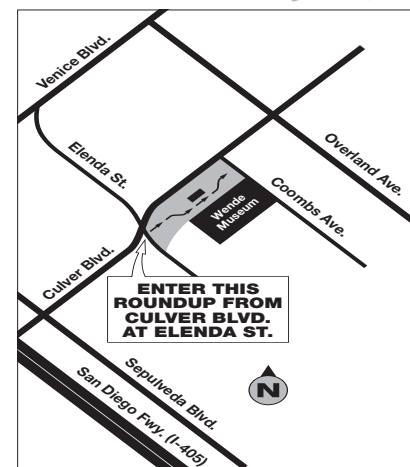
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INDIANAPOLIS @ TENNESSEE
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DETROIT @ NEW ORLEANS
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CAROLINA @ TAMPA BAY
1:05 PM CBS (TB -5 1/2)

SAN FRANCISCO @ PHILADELPHIA
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1:25 PM FOX (LAR -3 1/2)

KANSAS CITY @ GREEN BAY
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THANKSGIVING MEAL PREP

BY REBECCA GOLDSTEIN AND RACHEL FABI / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Rebecca Goldstein, of Albany, Calif., is a research scientist at Merck, developing immunotherapies for cancer. Rachel Fabi, of Syracuse, N.Y., is a bioethics professor at SUNY Upstate Medical University. They met via the online crossword community and now hang out on weekly Zoom calls. They both love collaborating. Rebecca says, "Having a second mind can really elevate an idea." Rachel adds that she enjoys having someone to share puns with. — W.S.

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 It grows on trees</p> <p>5 Dance form featured in the documentary "Kumu Hina"</p> <p>9 If-then-____ (programming trio)</p> <p>13 Fruit in the custard apple family</p> <p>18 Home to Dublin and Toledo</p> <p>19 Ritual whose name translates to "covenant"</p> <p>20 Locale for many cabs</p> <p>21 Common lab culture</p> <p>22 Stockpile bread?</p> <p>24 Research hors d'oeuvres online?</p> <p>26 "Ditto"</p> <p>27 Tizzy</p> <p>29 Rural tower</p> <p>30 Catchy tune, in slang</p> <p>31 Fighting sport, for short</p> <p>33 Since</p> <p>35 "Time to head out!"</p> <p>38 Selects green-bean casserole, candied yams and mashed potatoes?</p> <p>43 What a ghost might do to you</p> <p>46 Chortled syllable</p> <p>47 Loch Ness monster, apparently</p> <p>48 Love lines?</p> | <p>50 Eases</p> <p>51 Blast from the past, so to speak</p> <p>53 "Full House" twins</p> <p>55 Setting in "Nomadland"</p> <p>56 Kilt folds</p> <p>57 Alex's partner in the jewelry industry</p> <p>58 Features of a vacant stare</p> <p>60 Gets caught</p> <p>61 Sanctify</p> <p>63 "Cease!" on the seas</p> <p>64 Part of a rock band?</p> <p>65 Debate roasting versus deep-frying?</p> <p>67 Groove</p> <p>70 "There ____ enough words"</p> <p>72 Word with bump or trap</p> <p>73 Former Florida flier</p> <p>75 Breaking up</p> <p>78 Corn unit</p> <p>79 Inventor Gray who had a patent war with Alexander Graham Bell</p> <p>80 Martin of Hollywood</p> <p>81 City on the Kenai Peninsula</p> <p>83 "Let me join!"</p> <p>84 Foolish</p> <p>86 Unspecific amount in a recipe</p> <p>87 Small game, often</p> <p>88 Some nail-biters, for short</p> <p>89 Developing</p> <p>91 Steers the dessert cart?</p> | <p>94 Fame</p> <p>96 Cupid's counterpart</p> <p>97 Grabbed a chair</p> <p>98 Some sex cells</p> <p>100 Heads of org. charts</p> <p>102 Part of some pods</p> <p>104 November birthstone</p> <p>108 Make cranberry sauce from scratch?</p> <p>112 Reserve the chardonnay for later?</p> <p>114 On a bias</p> <p>115 Off-the-wall</p> <p>116 Actress Jessica</p> <p>117 Noted Celtic musician</p> <p>118 Kind of question</p> <p>119 Shiny silver sticker?</p> <p>120 Bid first, say</p> <p>121 "____?" "____!"</p> | <p>12 Quarter backs?</p> <p>13 Letter before cue</p> <p>14 Landmark health legislation, for short</p> <p>15 Certain recyclable, in the Midwest</p> <p>16 Brand aptly found in "natural pooch food"</p> <p>17 Tendril</p> <p>23 "Ba-dum-tss" sounds</p> <p>25 Led Zeppelin's "Whole ____ Love"</p> <p>28 Aids in planning</p> <p>32 Untold millennia</p> <p>34 G-men</p> <p>36 Buffalo N.H.L.ers</p> <p>37 Work on one's whisking technique?</p> <p>38 Slices and dices</p> <p>39 "Absolutely not"</p> <p>40 "Goodness!"</p> <p>41 Enter a bear market</p> <p>42 Tournament ranking</p> <p>44 Clinton and Obama, astrologically</p> <p>45 Approx.</p> <p>49 Chuck Taylor All Star, e.g.</p> <p>52 Pro tip about seasoning stuffing?</p> <p>53 Length of some fun runs, informally</p> <p>54 Backed up</p> <p>57 Having an even score</p> <p>59 Macy's Thanksgiving ____ Parade</p> <p>61 Hairstyle that the Brits call "fringe"</p> <p>62 Captain Marvel, e.g.</p> <p>65 Start of some countdowns</p> |
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Public Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 23-O-2884

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS AUTHORIZING THE BEVERLY HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT'S MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE INVENTORY IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 7071

The City Council of the City of Beverly Hills does hereby ordain as follows:

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2021, the State Legislature enacted Assembly Bill 481 ("AB 481"), adding sections 7070 et seq. to the Government Code, requiring law enforcement agencies to obtain approval from their governing body before acquiring military equipment, as defined by Government Code section 7070(c); and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 7071 requires law enforcement agencies to obtain approval from their governing body by an ordinance adopting a military equipment use policy, at a regular meeting held pursuant to open meeting laws, prior to taking certain actions relating to the funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2022, City Council adopted its military equipment use ordinance, Ordinance No. 22-O-2859, approving the Beverly Hills Police Department's Military Equipment Use Policy ("Policy 706") and Military Equipment Use Inventory; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2023, City Council approved the Beverly Hills Police Department's request to add additional items to the approved Military Equipment Use Inventory; specifically seven new drone models (for a total of 20 additional drones); and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2023, City Council authorized the Beverly Hills Police Department's new Military Equipment Use Inventory (Ordinance No-23-O-2875) and renewed its military equipment ordinance, Ordinance No-23-O-2876); and

WHEREAS, the Beverly Hills Police Department currently possesses equipment that qualifies under the definition of "military equipment" in Government Code section 7070(c), and wishes to continue to use such equipment in a responsible manner to ensure the safety of the community and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Beverly Hills Police Department seeks to add to its existing Military Equipment Use Inventory by permanently acquiring thirteen Brugger & Thomet ("B&T") semi-automatic carbine firearms identified in the attached Beverly Hills Police Department Military Equipment Inventory ("Military Equipment Inventory"), for the purpose of protecting the safety of officers, residents and visitors in the City of Beverly Hills in high-risk situations.

NOW, THEREFORE,

Section 1. The City Council hereby finds that all of the facts set forth in the Recitals above are true and correct.

Section 2. Legislative Findings. Pursuant to Government Code Section 7071, the City Council considered the adoption of this Ordinance at a regular, public meeting on November 7, 2023, and based on the facts set forth above, the Agenda Report, the information provided to the City Council at the public meeting, and the record thereof which is incorporated by this reference, the City Council hereby determines and makes the following findings:

A. The military equipment identified in the Beverly Hills Police Department's Military Equipment Inventory are necessary because there is no reasonable alternative

that can achieve the same objective of officer and civilian safety for the reasons identified in the Military Equipment Inventory; and

B. The military equipment identified in the Beverly Hills Police Department's Military Equipment Inventory will safeguard the public's welfare, safety, civil rights, and civil liberties for the reasons identified in the Military Equipment Inventory; and

C. The military equipment identified in the Beverly Hills Police Department's Military Equipment Inventory are necessary because there are no cost effective alternatives; and

D. Prior military equipment use completed with Beverly Hills Police Department Policy 706, or if prior uses did not comply with the accompanying military equipment use policy, corrective action has been taken to remedy nonconforming uses and ensure future compliance.

Section 3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 7071, the City Council hereby authorizes the Beverly Hills Police Department to acquire the thirteen B&T semi-automatic carbine firearms identified in the Beverly Hills Police Department's Military Equipment Inventory, as set forth in the attached Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance, is for any reason held to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance, or its application to any other person or circumstance. The City Council declares that it would have adopted each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases hereof be declared invalid or unenforceable.

Section 5. Publication. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City within fifteen (15) days after its passage in accordance with Section 36933 of the Government Code, shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance, and shall cause this Ordinance and this certification, together with proof of publication, to be entered in the Book of Ordinances of the Council of this City.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall go into effect and be in full force and effect at 12:01 a.m. on the thirty-first (31st) day after its passage.

Section 7. Certification. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause the same to be published in the manner prescribed by law.

Adopted: November 21, 2023
Effective: December 22, 2023

JULIAN A. GOLD, M.D.
Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills, California

ATTEST:
HUMA AHMED (SEAL)
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
LAURENCE S. WIENER
City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
NANCY HUNT-COFFEY
City Manager

VOTE:
AYES: Councilmembers Nazarian, Bosse, Mirisch, Vice Mayor Friedman, and Mayor Gold
NOES: None
CARRIED

EXHIBIT A

BEVERLY HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT MILITARY EQUIPMENT INVENTORY

Item Category: Firearms		B & T Semi-Automatic Carbine	
Description	Semi-Automatic Carbine		
Quantity	13	Authorized:	20
Capability	The B&T semi-automatic carbine is a compact carbine that uses a standard pistol caliber. It provides excellent handling, accuracy, safety, and low recoil. In conjunction with the Range staff, K9 Unit, and the Crime Impact Team (CIT), we tested numerous weapons platforms in this category from various manufacturers, with the B&T APC9 proving itself to be the clear frontrunner. Several United States military and law enforcement units are deploying this weapon system.		
Life Span	Approximately 5 years		
Manufacturer's Description	The Advanced Police Carbine (APC) series was designed for the demands of today's police, special forces, and military units around the world. As the hallmark of the B&T line, the APC series represents the ultimate in performance, reliability, and accuracy. The APC family includes the flexible and adaptable APC9/40 & 45/10mm, the rifle caliber APC223/556/300 line, and the ultimate in semiautomatic precision, the APC308. With a comprehensive suite of accessories created specifically for these platforms, the APC series represents a breakthrough in customization and modularity for every operator, and every specialized mission.		
Purpose	B&T semi-automatic carbine is used to protect the lives of the public during a potential lethal force circumstance. It is a compact alternative that can be used during high risk surveillance operations and undercover operations. This is the only alternative to much larger and powerful rifle caliber carbines.		
Authorized Use	Authorized carriers who have completed the basic training course.		
Legal and Procedural Rules	It is the policy of the BHPD to utilize the B&T semi-automatic carbine only for law enforcement purposes, and in a manner that is allowed by State and Federal Law, and BHPD policy.		
Fiscal Impact	Initial Cost: \$49,990 Re-Occurring Costs: NA Maintenance Costs: NA Year Obtained: 2023 How acquired: Operational budget		
Training	Initial 24 hours course, quarterly qualifications.		
Necessity	Government Code § 7071(d)(1)(A)	There is no alternative weapon in class type and size for the preservation of life and deployment in a surveillance or undercover capacity.	
Public Welfare	Government Code § 7071(d)(1)(B)	The equipment will be deployed in potential lethal force situations in order to protect the public from death or great bodily injury.	
Cost Effective	Government Code § 7071(d)(1)(C)	There are no other alternatives in cost.	
Compliance	Government Code § 7071(d)(1)(D)	Use will be recorded on a "Military Equipment Use" Blue Team Entry and electronically submitted. The designated Military Equipment Coordinator will ensure future compliance with this Policy.	

T.S. No.: 23-9490 Loan No.: *6356

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES) DATED 2/18/2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the herein-after described property under and pursuant to a DEED OF

TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES) described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: 1141 Detroit St, LLC, A California Limited Liability Company Duly Appointed Trustee: PRESTIGE D E F A U L T

SERVICES, LLC Recorded 3/1/2022 as Instrument No. 2022037109 in book ---, page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 12/21/2023 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$8,247,725.74 Property being sold "as is - Where is" Street Address or other common designation of real property: 1141 N DETROIT STREET WEST HOLLYWOOD CA 90046 A.P.N.: 5531-009-008 THE BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT, IN ITS DISCRETION, TO EXERCISE ITS RIGHTS AND REMEDIES IN ANY MANNER PERMITTED UNDER SECTION 9604 OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMERCIAL CODE, OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE SECTION, AS TO ALL OR SOME OF THE PERSONAL PROPERTY, FIXTURES AND OTHER GENERAL TANGIBLES AND INTANGIBLES MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), GUARANTEES, UCC'S, SECURITY AGREEMENTS. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear

ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services, LLC. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (916) 939-0772 or visit this Internet Web site www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 23-9490. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 11/20/2023 PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES, LLC 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Questions: 949-427-2010 Sale Line: (916) 939-0772 Tina Suihkonen, VP of Operations and Compliance NPP0443700 To: BEVERLY HILLS COURIER 12/01/2023, 12/08/2023, 12/15/2023

Public Notices

T.S. No.: 23-9394 Loan No.: *8085 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES) DATED 11/16/2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES) described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: 944 Ogden, LLC, a California Liability Company Duly Appointed Trustee:

PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES, LLC Recorded 11/30/2022 as Instrument No. 20221120762 in book ---, page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 12/14/2023 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$5,272,999.46 Property being sold "as is - Where is" Street Address or other common designation of real property: 944 North Ogden Drive West Hollywood CA 90046 A.P.N.: 5530-025-002 THE BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT, IN ITS DISCRETION, TO EXERCISE ITS RIGHTS AND REMEDIES IN ANY MANNER PERMITTED UNDER SECTION 9604 OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMERCIAL CODE, OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE SECTION, AS TO ALL OR SOME OF THE PERSONAL PROPERTY, FIXTURES AND OTHER GENERAL TANGIBLES AND INTANGIBLES MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), GUARANTEES, UCC'S, SECURITY AGREEMENTS. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services, LLC. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (916) 939-0772 or visit this Internet Web site www.nationwide-posting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 23-9394. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 11/14/2023 PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES, LLC 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Questions: 949-427-2010 Sale Line: (916) 939-0772 Martha Nuno Foreclosure Assistant NPP0443560 To: BEVERLY HILLS COURIER 11/24/2023, 12/01/2023, 12/08/20233

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T.S. No.: 23-9487 Loan No.: *8087 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES) DATED 11/17/2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES) described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: 947 Genesee, LLC, A California Limited Liability Company Duly

Appointed Trustee: PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES, LLC Recorded 12/5/2022 as Instrument No. 20221132635 in book --, page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 12/14/2023 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$5,341,682.63 Property being sold "as is - Where is" Street Address or other common designation of real property: 947 N Genesee Avenue West Hollywood CA 90046 A.P.N.: 5530-025-021 THE BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT, IN ITS DISCRETION, TO EXERCISE ITS RIGHTS AND REMEDIES IN ANY MANNER PERMITTED UNDER SECTION 9604 OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMERCIAL CODE, OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE SECTION, AS TO ALL OR SOME OF THE PERSONAL PROPERTY, FIXTURES AND OTHER GENERAL TANGIBLES AND INTANGIBLES MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE DEED OF TRUST, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AND LEASES), GUARANTEES, UCC'S, SECURITY AGREEMENTS. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a

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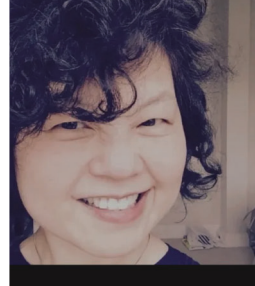


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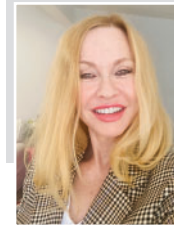
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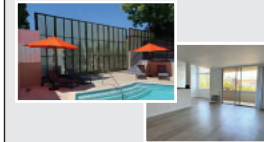
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