

Mayor and Council Offices

Memorandum

Date:

July 9, 2024

To:

Mayor and City Council

From:

Executive Assistant to the Mayor and City Council

Subject: Adjournment of the July 9, 2024, Council & Authorities Concurrent Meeting

<u>Adjournment</u>

To be read by Mayor Gillmor

Please adjourn the July 9, 2024, City Council meeting in honor of Aristide "Chet" Polini.

- Aristide "Chet" Polini passed away on May 25, 2024.
- Chet was the eldest son of Italian immigrants. He was born in Upper Michigan, where he spent his youth and young adulthood.
- At age 16, Chet ended his high school education to support his mother and three siblings upon his father's death.
- After courageously serving his country during World War II, Chet set off to seek adventure in Alaska. That cross-country journey included a detour to Santa Clara, California.
- Here he met the love of his life, Cora Zambetti, whom he wed in 1950 and began a new lifelong journey together.
- Chet found his true career calling in Santa Clara as an accomplished carpenter, building homes throughout the city.
- On December 7, 2023, he celebrated his 100th birthday, this day recognized by the City of Santa Clara in issuing a commendation honoring Chet.
- Chet died peacefully at age 100 with Cora at his side, in the home he built for them and their future family, 75 years earlier.
- He is survived by his beloved and devoted wife, Cora and their four children, Patrice Christensen, Jeffrey, Glenn, and Christopher; his six grandchildren, Ashlynn Pericacho, Cassondra, Daniel, Nicholas, Cristina, and Caitlin Velazquez; and his two great grandsons, Mateo Pericacho Polini and Santiago Rivas Polini.