

Mayor and Council Offices

Memorandum

Date:

March 17, 2020

To:

Mayor and City Council

From:

Executive Assistant to the Mayor and City Council

Subject: Adjournment of the March 17, 2020 City Council Meeting

Please adjourn the March 17, 2020 City Council meeting in memory of the following individuals:

Commodore Krishan Kumar Garg (Indian Navy), Father of Gaurav Garg, City of Santa Clara Director of Information Technology

- Commodore Krishan Kumar Garg was born on August 24th, 1934 in Haryana, India.
- One of the brightest students in his class, he was selected for entry into the Mercantile Marine Training Ship Dufferin in 1951, being the first student of his school to be accepted.
- Upon completing his training, he was selected by the Indian National Defense Academy in 1953. Commissioned as a naval officer in 1956 in the Executive Branch of the Indian Navy, he held various ranks from Commander, Captain, and finally Commodore.
- Throughout his 38 years of service, he continued to hold great passion for serving his country, including being deployed in several wars.
- After retirement, he commanded Merchant Ships of India and traveled the world over from 1990-1995, including San Francisco, Stockton, Long Beach, Astoria, Oregon, and Vancouver, Canada.
- He then became the first ex-Dufferin cadet and ex-naval officer to be teaching faculty for the Government of India Merchant Navy Academy, where he imparted knowledge of navigation and seamanship to cadets from 1996 to 2001.
- Commodore Garg held many titles, including Trustee of Kandla Port Trust from 1978-1980, Trustee of Mumbai Port Trust from 1987-1988, member of Security Association of India, and held memberships in the Maritime Institution and the Maritime Foundation of India.
- He was an active poet, writer and contributed his writings extensively to various periodicals including
 the Indian Naval Quarterdeck magazine. He travelled to the US extensively and loved the American
 fun-loving spirit and humor embedded in the work culture.
- Commodore Garg lived a life full of devotion to his country, his family, and friends.
- He passed away on February 15, 2020.
- He will forever be cherished by his wife of 58 years, Prem, along with sons Gaurav and Mohit, daughters-in-law Alka and Rupali, and grandchildren Avika, Aashka and Mehar.

Eileen Mary Crane, Long-Time Resident of Santa Clara

- Eileen Mary Crane was born on March 11, 1935.
- In 1962, she moved to Santa Clara with her husband Frank Crane, who took a job with the NASA Ames Research Center.
- They raised six children, all of whom attended Santa Clara public schools.
- Eileen worked at Santa Clara University for 20 years where she was also a "Mom" to the many students who were away from home.
- She passed away on February 24, 2020. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Clare Callejon, Long-Time Resident of Santa Clara

- Clare Callejon was born in the Mission District of San Francisco.
- She won the San Francisco Parks and Recreation Tennis Championship at age 12.
- At age 18, she moved to her family's ranch in Milpitas and attended San Jose State University.
- She graduated in 1952, six months after marrying Don Callejon.
- Clare spent an inordinate amount of time attending the athletic events of her brother, Charlie, and her children, to whom she was devoted.
- Always engaged with her community, Clare campaigned for Santa Clara candidates for school board and city council, supported women running for congress, and made calls for Barack Obama in 2008.
- She served as the chair of the Santa Clara Schools Foundation, was a March of Dimes precinct captain, and taught English as a second language.
- She loved travel and highlights included many trips to Maui, Europe and Australia, camping with friends in the Sierras, and multiple visits to her maternal homeland Ireland. She loved the beach and passed that love to her children.
- She was an avid reader, an active member of the "book bags," a fantastic neighbor, and a loving and thoughtful friend, daughter, wife, sister, mom, aunt and nana.
- Clare passed away on March 11, 2020.
- She is survived by her husband Don, her daughter Donna, sons Chuck and Rick, grandsons and Davis, and step-grandkids Carly and Mark.