Mayor and Council Offices



Memorandum

Date: July 9, 2019

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Acting Executive Assistant to the Mayor and City Council

Subject: Adjournment of the July 9, 2019 City Council Meeting

Please adjourn the July 9, 2019 City Council meeting in memory of the following individuals:

Xavier Anthony Souto, Son of Sociedade do Espirito Santo Hall President Lina Souto

- Xavier was born on September 24, 1980.
- He was Parts Manager at the Ford Store parts department office in Morgan Hill, where he had worked since 2012.
- Xavier was the son of Lina Souto, the President of Sociedade do Espirito Santo which was recently presented the award for City of Santa Clara's Organization of the Year.
- He was tragically killed on June 25, 2019.
- Xavier is survived by his wife Lourdes and two sons.

Eddie "Poppy" Owen, Longtime Supporter of Santa Clara Community

- Eddie was born on November 19, 1945, in Bakersfield, moving to San Jose at the age of 3.
- A graduate of James Lick High School, he attended San Jose City College and worked at Coast Counties Trucking.
- After marrying Helen Marchese in 1967, Eddie went to work for his father-in-law's Marchese Farms.
 The Marchese Farms Cherry Orchard at the corner of Homestead and Lawrence is now the site of Kaiser Permanente's Santa Clara Hospital.
- With properties in both Santa Clara and the San Joaquin Valleys, Eddie's job was "working the ranches."
- Eddie and Helen were instrumental in establishing JW House.
- Eddie always partnered with Helen in her philanthropic efforts for area nonprofits, including JW
 House, Hope Services, Sacred Heart Nativity Schools, Cristo Rey High School, Italian American
 Heritage Foundation, and Santa Clara University and the school's Board of Fellows.
- Eddie and Helen shared the Distinguished Citizen Award from Silicon Valley Monterey Bay Council,
 Boy Scouts of America in 2007, and were recently recognized by Little Italy San Jose.
- Eddie passed away on June 28, 2019.
- Eddie is survived by his wife, Helen; their sons, Chris and Dominic; and 7 grandchildren.

John G. Figueira Jr., Former President of Santa Clara Sister Cities Association

- John was born on March 30, 1932, in Patterson, New Jersey.
- John was a commercial tuna fisherman alongside his father.
- In 1951, John joined the Navy and served 4 years during the Korean War.
- In 1956, John began his electrical engineering studies at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo.
- That same year, he married the love of his life, Lorraine Souza.

- John retired after a successful 31-year career as an Electrical Engineer at Lockheed Missiles and Space.
- John was President of Santa Clara Sister Cities Association for 21 years. He coordinated and hosted the student exchange program visits for Santa Clara High School students to visit Coimbra, Portugal and Izumo, Japan.
- From 1993 to 2001, John designed and worked on the Portuguese Museum Plaza in Kelly Park.
- John was the recipient of the City of Santa Clara's Austin Warburton Outstanding Service Award in 2011.
- John passed away on July 3, 2019.
- John is survived by his wife Lorraine; his children, Linda, John, Dave, Steve and Kathy; and 18 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

cc: City Clerk's Office