City of Long Beach



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to direct City Manager to support Senate Concurrent Resolution 102, which would name the Los Alamitos Bay Bridge or any successor bridge on Pacific Coast Highway south of Loynes Drive and north of East 2nd Street as the Joan Lind Van Blom Memorial Bridge.

We request the Long Beach City Council support Senate Concurrent Resolution 102 that would rename the Los Alamitos Bay Bridge on Pacific Coast Highway to the Joan Van Blom Memorial Bridge.

Ms. Van Blom left her imprint on our City as an inductee of the Wilson High School, Long Beach State, Century Club, and National Rowing halls of fame. Joan was the first U.S. woman to win an Olympic medal in rowing after taking the silver in Montreal in 1976, and silvered again in 1984. In addition to her career in rowing, Joan also served the Long Beach Unified School District for over three decades, 25 years as a teacher and then another decade as the district's first physical education curriculum leader.

This bill gives proper recognition to an outstanding member of our community who dedicated her life to education and the sport of rowing.

There is no immediate financial impact as a result of the recommended action.

Approve recommendation.

COUNCILMAN DEE ANDREWS SIXTH DISTRICT

COUNCILWOMAN SUZIE PRICE THIRD DISTRICT

COUNCILMEMBER DARYL SUPERNAW FOURTH DISTRICT