

May 13, 2021

Honorable Daryl Supernaw, Councilmember District 4

Honorable Cindy Allen, Councilmember District 2

Honorable Al Austin, Councilmember District 8

SUBJECT: "SUPPORT ITEM #2 South Street Parkway as the "Pressburg Parkway"

We, the undersigned North Long Beach Neighborhood leaders, support naming the Pressburg Parkway in honor of our friend and neighbor Dan Pressburg. As a proud resident of the 9th District, Dan Pressburg has lived a life dedicated to the community. Dan Pressburg has time and again demonstrated why cementing his legacy in this City is fitting in recognition of his commitment to Long Beach and the greater Uptown Community.

Examples of Dan's service to the community are numerous. He has for years donated turkeys and rescued trees for families during the holidays. His innovative spirit of giving was also lauded by Neighborhoods USA (NUSA), receiving two national titles for the "One-Day Christmas Store." Additionally, his service to the City goes beyond the 9th District, in which he resides, with helping to establish parts of the narration for the Long Beach Marathon, Downtown Walking Tours, and as a Docent at Rancho Los Cerritos in the 8th Council District. As an original member of the Veteran's Day Parade Committee, he led promotions for 16 years and provided a unique quiche breakfast for staff and honored guests who sat in the reviewing stand. Finally, for the past seven years, Pressburg has led the DeForest Park Neighborhood Association as president, organizing tree plantings, and community events, such as the Chili Cook-Off. Pressburg was also instrumental in the DeForest Park Wetlands Restoration, which officially opened in 2018.

In closing, the 9th District has been a location of historical first. One of these examples is the South Street Parkway, the City's first-ever "pocket park" established in the late '90s. The park features turf, trees, and fencing. There are no structures in the Pocket Park and is established as an open green space, utilized by all members of the DeForest Area Community.

It is for these reasons and many more, that we, the undersigned District 9 Neighborhood leaders, request that South Street Parkway be named "Pressburg Parkway" in his honor.

Sincerely,

North Long Beach Neighborhood Leaders:

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President, Collins Neighborhood Association

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