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FIRE DEPARTMENT

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MICHAEL DUREE
FIRE CHIEF

September 11, 2018

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to refer to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee to consider the renaming of the Long Beach Fire Department Regional Training Center located at 2249 Argonne Avenue, the "Captain David Rosa Regional Training Center." (District 4)

DISCUSSION

On the morning of June 25, 2018, Long Beach Fire Captain David Rosa was killed in the line of duty, while bravely serving our City. Captain Rosa and his crew had responded to a senior living facility for reports of an explosion and fire. On scene, Captain Rosa led his crew into the building and extinguished the fire. While attempting to help a person he thought needed assistance, Captain Rosa was instead met with gunfire.

Captain David Rosa was a 17-year veteran of the Long Beach Fire Department and a Captain for the past six years. Captain Rosa spent the majority of his career at Fire Station 11 and Fire Station 10, but spent the three years preceding his death as a member of the Fire Academy's Training Cadre. Captain Rosa was selected to serve as a member of the training academy staff because of his demeanor and willingness to assist the next generation of firefighters in their preparation for the challenges that lay ahead. It was here, while working at the Fire Department's Regional Training Center, that Captain Rosa left his most impactful mark on the Long Beach Fire Department as he helped train and develop hundreds of new firefighters for our City. To memorialize Captain Rosa's legacy and sacrifice, the Long Beach Fire Department requests that its Training Center be named in his honor. While the City's policy requires one year from the date of passing before being considered, given the tragic circumstances and Captain Rosa's sacrifice, we are requesting an exception to that portion of the naming policy.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Monica J. Kilaita on August 21, 2018 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on August 20, 2018.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on September 11, 2018, to begin the approval process for renaming the building.

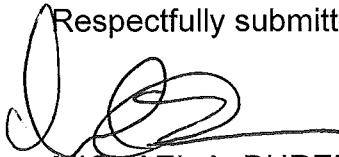
FISCAL IMPACT

There is no significant fiscal or local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



MICHAEL A. DUREE
FIRE CHIEF

APPROVED:


PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER