

AESD Left Rudderless As Superintendent & Top Assistant Inexplicably Go Missing

By Mark Gutglueck
In the midst of the confusion over Adelanto Elementary School District Superintendent Terry Walker's continuing tenure with the district, the matter grew even more turbulent as Walker and her top-ranked assistant precipitously went out on leave last week. They have not returned.
Simultaneously, Walker's executive secretary had departed the

district, leaving the district essentially rudderless, as there was seemingly no one in place in the district's executive suite over a period during which preparations for this week's board meeting needed to be tended to, resulting in the meeting being canceled.
While Walker's executive secretary, Xenia Lovett, has now returned to her post, the district appears to be running on

autopilot, as both Walker and the assistant superintendent of academic services Walker hired in September, Saida Valdez, remain absent.
Among Adelanto residents, in particular parents of students in the district, there has been speculation at the reason for the interruption in normal district operations. The most recurrent and obvious theory to emerge from that speculation is the 3-to-2 divide

on the school board that has manifested in recent months in which the majority has become disenchanted with Walker's oversight of district operations created an atmosphere which has made her day-to-day function uncomfortable. Based on Walker's contract, which was ratified by the school board in November 2024 and which runs through June 2028, she cannot be terminated on anything less than a 4-to-1 vote of

the school board.
Though the board majority does not have sufficient votes to force the superintendent's departure at this time, the two members of the board who are yet standing behind her, La Shawn Love-French and Christina Steward, are due to stand for reelection later this year. With the prospect that Love-French or Steward might opt out of seeking reelection or could be
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Fontana Razing Building Worth \$35 Million At Today's Price To Construct Another For \$58 Million

The City of Fontana will tear out its existing 27,000-square foot City Hall which has existed since 1964 and replace it with a structure of roughly 45,000 square feet.
Going with the old building is some history city officials and residents would like to remember, some history city officials and residents would like to forget and some lessons taxpayers might lose sight of at their own peril.
City officials intend to have the new edifice ready for occupancy two years from now – in January 2028 – a reasonable target but one that might not be met.

January 13 And January 27 Board Of Supervisors Meeting Item Action Summaries

The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors took several actions at its January 13 and January 27 regularly scheduled meetings.
The board approved at its January 13 meeting a \$3.1 million revenue agreement with the California Department of Public Health for the continued provision of mandated newborn screening specimen col-

lection and courier services through June 30, 2029.
The San Bernardino County Public Health Department will perform these screenings at local birthing hospitals and clinics, ensuring early detection of more than 80 congenital disorders. The agreement allows the county to receive reimbursement for coordination and collec-

tion services and supports efforts to improve early treatment and outcomes for infants born in San Bernardino County.
At the January 13 meeting, the board also signed off on accepting federal reimbursement for joint fugitive task force participation.
The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department is receiving a reimbursement from

the U.S. Marshals Service for participation in the Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force through September 30, 2029. The reimbursement provides up to \$31,900 annually for overtime and vehicle fuel costs associated with apprehending federal fugitives.
By participating in the task force, the Sheriff's Department enhances

collaboration between federal and local law enforcement, increases regional safety and supports the Sheriff's priority of locating and arresting violent offenders, which aligns with the county's declared goals.
At the same meeting, the board approved providing mental health support for drug court participants.
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Ex-Victorville Councilwoman Valles Defies Newsom's Gerrymander With 1st Congressional District Run

Angela Valles, who cut her political teeth in the Victor Valley two decades ago, shocking and rearranging the political establishment while doing so, is seeking to represent a Congressional District in the northern part of the state.
As before, Valles is approaching her candidacy in ways that are not in keeping with the pow-

ers that be on either side of the political spectrum.
Valles was elected to the Victor Valley College Board of Trustees in 2007, which was essentially a baby-step that made few, if any waves. In 2010, she vied for a position on the Victorville City Council, which again rang no major alarm bells until she won. At that point, she

stepped into a whirlpool of controversy. Victorville, the third of San Bernardino County's desert city's to incorporate in 1962, had grown into the county's fifth largest city population-wise and its largest geographically. Once host to an Air Force Base that was being transitioned into an international airport for which
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Redlands Unified Contemplating Laying Off 138 Employees

The Redlands Unified School District Board of Trustees on Tuesday night signaled the readiness of its ruling majority to provide 6.8 percent of its employees with pink slips in March that will become effective in June if the district's financial picture does not improve. The vote by three of the board's members was

preliminary and precautionary rather than de facto. California law requires that teachers and support personnel, referred to as classified employees be provided with warning by March 15 if their employment is to be terminated in the following school year.
According to those three board
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Dogs Turned Away As Yucca Valley Animal Shelter's Kennel Runs Out Of Space

The Yucca Valley Animal Shelter, at least temporarily, will not be welcoming dogs being given up their owners.
The facility's kennels are beyond their maximum capacity. Designed to hold 57 dogs, as of 2 p.m. today, they are packed with 97.
"Yucca Valley Animal Shelter is currently operating at 170.1 percent capacity," the shel-

ter's website states.
The shelter has animals that are cataloged in three categories, those being ones on its urgent need list, its adoptable pets list, its rescue release only list and its stray & found list.
Currently, there are 71 dogs on the shelter's adoptable pets list, all of which can be adopted by qualified owners willing to give the dogs a good

home. There are now two dogs on the rescue only list, which is not a euthanasia list. Those animals are not currently available for public adoption but are eligible for placement with approved rescue partners who can give the dogs specialized treatment. Animals are continuously evaluated for health and behavior, and may be moved to the adoptable list as appro-

priate. Pets under eight weeks of age or under two pounds will remain rescue release only until they meet adoptable criteria.
There is a single dog on the stray and found list. There are also 14 stray and lost cats at the shelter.
There is currently a single dog on the in-urgent need of assistance from a 501(c)(3) rescue

partner list, as the dog is at risk of humane euthanasia due to medical, behavioral, and/or capacity limits. This dog and others who in the future are placed on the in-urgent need of assistance list may also be available for adoption by the general public.
According to the Town of Yucca Valley, dogs brought in by their owners ac-
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The city is spending \$58 million to construct the new municipal accommodations, which is intended to house virtually all of the city's departments other than its police department. It will provide quarters for the fire department, with offices for the fire chief, battalion chiefs and fire administration, within its expanse.
Though some are hailing the construction of a new City Hall as one that is welcome and past due, there are others who consider the undertaking to be self-indulgent and overblown. They consider the existing civic facility to be adequate if somewhat undersized and far from having eclipsed its useful life. They question why the city is going to knock it down and build a new one when it could instead keep it in place and augment it with an
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Superintendent And Her Two Closest Office Associates Up And Disappeared, Replaced At District Headquarters By Security Guards *from front page*

displaced in the voting if they do run, Walker is acutely aware that she may not be able to serve out the entirety of the time specified in her contract, which provides her with \$282,782, in salary and another \$92,635 in perquisites and benefits for a total annual compensation of \$375,417. Accordingly, it appears, at least to some people involved with the district either as parents, employees or officials, that Walker has been engaging in strategizing to either keep her job long-term or maximize the amount of money she can arrange to receive if she comes to some early termination/separation agreement with the district.

In this way, it appears that what occurred last week and what is continuing into this week was an effort to illustrate that Walker, if not absolutely indispens-

able to the district's operations, is of substantial value and key to keeping thing running smoothly. That Walker, Valdez and Lovett all went out on leave together and without any forewarning was either an extraordinary coincidence or deliberately calculated, several of those contemplating it have observed.

During the work week of January 19 through 23, Lovett, Valdez and Walker were gone, reportedly having taken simultaneously unspecified leave, unofficially described as sick leave or medical leave. When Board President Miguel Soto Jr. made a routine inquiry early in the week about progress on finalizing the agenda for the regularly scheduled board meeting that was to take place on January 27, he received no response. Through further inquiry, he learned that Walker, Valdez and Lovett were not present at the district headquarters and, further, could not be reached by phone, text or email.

Somewhat inexplicably, armed security guards employed by the Blue-Nite Protection

Agency were in place at the district office beginning on January 20 and remained in place until January 23. Blue-Nite Protection Agency, which is owned and operated by Jerry Plascencia, had been previously contracted with by the district to provide security at the district's board meetings, but was never employed by the district outside that context. There was no explanation given to district staff either by text message, email or verbally as to why they security guards were there or that they were going to be there ahead of time. No one at the district had any information as to who had hired them for the district office security detail. No vote to have them in place was made by the school board. It is not clear on whose authority they were hired. The scope of work specified in the district's contract with the company extends only to board meetings held twice monthly.

Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, California's open public meeting law, the items, issues for discussion, actions or votes

to take place at a meeting must be given preview in an agenda for the meeting, which must be posted in a place or forum accessible to the public at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Given that the meeting was to commence in the evening of January 27 and the district's offices close for the weekend, there was a deadline of 5:30 p.m. on Friday January 23 by which the agenda had to be completed and posted.

Under the district's standard procedure, the agenda is formulated by the superintendent assisted by the superintendent's executive secretary, incorporating items earmarked for discussion and votes by members of the school board ahead of time as well as routine business items such as payments to material vendors or service providers which are intrinsic to ongoing and continuing district functions. Without Walker available, the board sought to draft an agenda, but upon completing the title, date, time and location for the document, bogged down when seeking to lay out

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the topics for discussion, as this required the provision of back-up or accompanying materials pertaining to the schedule of actions/votes. Lovett, they learned, was the only district employee who had access to the programs on the district's computers that would allow for the uploading of the documents that needed to be included with the agenda.

With the January 23 5:30 p.m. deadline approaching and Lovett nowhere to be found and unavailable for contact telephonically or online, a decision was made to

cancel the January 27 meeting.

The implication of Walker, Valdez and Lovett checking out with seemingly no warning last week is still being felt. Though Lovett returned on Monday January 26, Walker and Valdez are out of the office, incommunicado with both the public and at least three and quite possibly all five of the board's members.

Efforts by the Sentinel to reach both Walker and Valdez were routed to answering systems, which engendered no response, or to district

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Liberals Ruled The Roost In The RUSD Until Two December 2024 *from front page*

members and Redlands Schools Superintendent Juan Cabral, budgetary constraints brought on by generous pay increases over the last five years and declining enrollment have forced the district into having to make cutbacks.

Contradicting that, the two board members who dissented in the vote and their supporters have asserted that the district's preparations toward layoffs is a byproduct of the illiberal attitudes of the three board members who now constitute the ruling coalition on the school board.

Discerning facts from rhetoric in the Redlands School District has become increasingly difficult over the past several

years as two ideologically-driven factions – those espousing what they call traditional values and those claiming to be progressives – have been struggling for control of the 19,428 student, 25 school for four years. For more than two decades, Redlands Unified, much like the vast majority of the 1,023 other school districts in California, was dominated by liberal politics, based upon multiple factors, mostly on account of the Democratic Party's solid majority hold on the state, the advanced-education status of those in the teaching profession and the power of the California Teachers Association and its hundreds of affiliates and offshoots representing the state's educators.

Within the last decade and more intensely since 2020, growing numbers of social conservatives, including parents and social activists, have

made concerted efforts in a limited number of venues throughout the state to not merely challenge the schools' liberal heterodoxy but to strive and even lunge for political control in specific jurisdictions where the demographics and concentration of Republican or conservative voters have made takeover of local school boards possible. While many such bids at this conservative ideological assertion failed either narrowly, concingly or spectacularly, there were breakthroughs in some places, most notably the Chino Valley Unified School District in San Bernardino County, the Temecula Valley Unified School District and the Murrieta Valley Unified School District in Riverside County, the Orange Unified School District in Orange County, the Sunol Glen Unified School District in Alameda County, as well as in

other districts in Placer, Sacramento, and San Diego counties and in the Central Valley. In 2022, conservative forces coalesced behind Erin Stepien in her challenge of longtime board member Patty Holohan in the district's Area 1 race.

Redlands' social conservatives, instead of desisting after that setback, intensified their efforts in 2024, functioning under the umbrella of a local political action committee dubbed "Awaken Redlands," which heavily backed candidates Lawrence Paul Hebron, Candy Olson, and Jeanette Wilson in an effort to establish a traditional values coalition on the school board. While Melissa Ayala-Quintero prevailed over Hebron in the district's Area 3, Wilson and Olson carried the day in areas 4 and 5. This created a liberal/conservative split on the board with Holohan and Ayala-Quintero match-

ing Olson and Wilson, making Michelle Rendler, who had faced no opposition in her 2022 race, in the position of the swing vote on the panel. In the initial months after the new members of the school board were installed in December 2024, Rendler earnestly sought to bridge the middle ground without taking sides and giving either faction a clear edge. The presence of Olson and Wilson on the board, nonetheless, created a situation in which actions championed by conservatives that were anathema to the liberals, which had not previously been contemplated or considered, were being brought forth for discussion.

Those included banning all flags beside the American or California flag and creating a system by which parents or others could challenge books in the schools' libraries or classrooms'

bookshelves as obscene or inappropriate and have them removed upon a concurring conclusion by a review panel and restricting those competing in girls' sports to biological females.

Holohan, Ayala-Quintero and their supporters were outraged that even a conceptual discussion of those proposals was broached let alone that the board would take action with regard to them. An amorphous group of progressives, known as Together For Redlands, coalesced in a reaction against what Olson and Wilson and their band of traditionalists were up to. For starters, they said, such a flag ban was not only closed-minded and xenophobic on its face but in actuality a disguised effort to ban the homosexual pride flag, an insult to not only homosexuals but queers of all stripe, including gays, lesbians, bisexuals and

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Overwhelmed Animal Shelter Needs Kind Prospective Pet Owners To Take Impounded Dogs Out Of Their Crowded Facility

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counted for over 17 percent of all dogs and 19 percent of all cats housed at the shelter in 2025. Over the year, 133 dogs and 36 cats were left off by their owners.

Strays brought to the shelter by residents comprised 28 percent of the 772 dogs brought into the shelter in 2025. In the

same period. Of the 184 cats at the shelter 25 percent, or 41 were strays.

Roughly one fourth of both the dogs and cats at the shelter last year were county and town animal control officers impounds.

For the time being, those pet owners who

can no longer care for their pets should see if they can have others who will be kind to them, such as friends, family or individuals who are known to be animal lovers take them off their hands.

The shelter intends to continue to accept stray animals and deal with animals caught in emergency circumstances.

Those thinking of adopting can go to yuc-

ca-valley.org, and go to the animal shelter feature or phone 760-365-3111.

Shianne May is Yucca Valley animal care and control manager. Cassandra Blackstone is the city's senior shelter specialist. Amanda Saliba, Ryan Gordon and Nathan Lopez are the animal caretakers at the shelter.



Philosophically Speaking

The Four Freedoms Are Falling To Fear



"The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." --- from Franklin Roosevelt's first Inaugural Address, 1933

By Phill Courtney

Eighty-five years ago this month, on January 6, 1941, in Washinton D.C., President Franklin Delano Roosevelt delivered the eighth of his constitutionally mandated reports on the nation's condition. Given first as speeches by Presidents Washington and Adams, then followed by many years of written reports, it's almost always given now as an annual State of the Union address after President Wilson restored the tradition in 1913, and Roosevelt gave this one at the beginning of his unprecedent third presidential term while warfare in Europe and Asian blackened the background.

World War II was now raging, and Roosevelt was acutely aware of the conflicting forces then abroad in the land, with some voices calling for our participation, while others countered that call by urging a continuation of what some called "neutrality," and others American "isolationism."

In Roosevelt's speech, he focused much of his attention on an effort to persuade many Americans that we could not continue to ignore our role in stopping the dictators then goosestepping across the globe, with some reminders of just what we should be fighting for; describing them as "The Four Freedoms," which has led to this State of the Union address being referred to by that title.

So, with that introduction in mind, let's take a look at each of these four freedoms; the goals they laid out; how far we've come, and how far we've yet to go, since, in so many ways, we've fallen far short of FDR's lofty visions for the future; visions both for us as a nation, but also for the entire world as well.

Freedom of Speech and Expression: Roosevelt envisioned a world where all are permitted to express their opinions and beliefs free from the fear that they might suffer dreadful consequences if they dared to do so. Of course, before FDR's speech, countless people died for doing just that, often tortured to death for their beliefs. However, that's not just ancient history, conjuring up visions of thumbscrews and the burning of heretics, but continues today with far too many examples since FDR's speech.

Some of us remember the wholesale slaughter that occurred in 1989 when those wishing to express their opposition to the communist regime in China were mowed down in droves by the terrible tanks of Beijing's Tiananmen Square, to the massive bloodbath now going on in Iran. Yes, our current president is decrying that bloodshed, but, at the same time, he has also disgustingly embraced, encouraged, and enabled other despots such as those murderous misogynists in Saudi Arabia, and rolled out the red carpet (not just literally, but also figuratively since it was soaked in blood!) for another murderer who's currently ruthlessly ruling the country of Russia, whose opponents seem to keep falling "accidentally" out of the windows in high rise apartments.

So, we have no room to be smug Americans, looking down from our lofty perch of moral superiority as paragons of free speech and expression. Many have also lost jobs; been ostracized; and even

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Valles Embraced Conservatism But Was Not In Synch With The High Desert's Republican Establishment

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city officials had hopes of becoming the largest air cargo transport facility in the world, Victorville in addition to its municipal government had multiple adjuncts, including aviation and rail authorities. The community was attracting investment dollars from elsewhere in

Southern California, in particular Orange and Los Angeles Counties as well as from elsewhere in the state, across the country and internationally. Infrastructure was being constructed and a race was on among companies competing to get lucrative contracts to build it. Money was changing hands as corporate interests were attempting to get in on the ground floor and secure advantages going into the future. Alliances had been set up years previously and individuals placed onto the city council who were long

committed to seeing the interests of those who had bankrolled their campaigns advanced.

The High Desert and the Victor Valley in particular were already a hotbed of conservative, right wing politics. Valles fit into the mold of the area's politicians but at the same time, she did not. She was a Republican and a social, fiscal and Constitutional conservative. As a Latina, her alliance with the GOP was at a variance from what many might have expected. And her rock-ribbed Republicanism and fiscal conserva-

tism was something else again compared to what the Republicans running Victorville expected.

City fathers were on a mission to make the money of those who had invested in Victorville grow. That meant cutting corners, ethically and legally. Political grease was being spread around to make sure projects and programs, which might otherwise bog down or get denied in the planning process, were approved. Bonds were being issued to pay for infrastructure and public improvements

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County Revamps Ordinance Relating To Accessory Dwelling Unit Standards, Heights & Parking Requirements

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proved an amendment to an agreement with MFI Recovery Center, Inc., adding approximately \$418,000 in funding for a total not to exceed approximately \$3.1 million through June 30. Utilizing these partnerships, the San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health pro-

vides outpatient, intensive outpatient and recovery services for adult participants in the San Bernardino County Superior Court's Drug Court programs, which divert individuals from incarceration into treatment. The contract amendment ensures continued access to be-

havioral health services that support sobriety, accountability and reduced recidivism as part of the county's collaborative justice approach.

The San Bernardino County Land Use Services is amending the county development code to consolidate and update regulations governing accessory dwelling units (ADUs) and junior accessory dwelling units (JADUs), ensuring compliance with recent changes in state law.

The amendments create a new stand-alone chapter—Chapter 84.36—by consolidating three existing chapters: accessory structures and uses, allowed projections, and parking and loading.

The revised ordinance establishes new development standards, including maximum building heights of 25 feet for attached ADUs, 18 feet for detached ADUs and 16 feet for ADUs permitted by right. Minimum unit

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After 1980s Fund Diversion, Fontana Officials Promised The Money Would Modernize & Preserve City Hall Into The Middle Of The 21st Century

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annex at cost of around have that of the \$58 million the city is going to expend to recreate an edifice from scratch.

The project's general contractor is PENTA Building Group.

The city is using Fontana Senior Engineer Christopher Smethurst

and Lindsay Lomeli, who was recently hired by PENTA Building Group Construction Corporation after having left Upright Construction Corporation in Los Angeles, as the project managers.

City officials offered somewhat contradictory

statements as to who is responsible for the project's design. City officials acknowledge that the architectural firm Carrier Johnson + Culture did design work on the project. Nevertheless, Assistant Fontana City Manager Phil Burum in October told the Fontana Herald News, "Rather than having an architect design it, go through the plan, get bids approved, bid for contractors and then ultimately construct it, we lumped it all to-

gether with one team and a contractor involved in the design process to compress the development schedule and then also get the most efficient product we could get."

For the mnemonically-gifted or, depending on how you look at it, the mnemonically-afflicted, the city razing of the existing City Hall is somewhat galling.

In 1982, then-City Manager Jack Ratelle committed the city to a

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Circumstances Suggest That Walker's Willingness As A Newly-Hired Superintendent In 2024 To Assist A Then-Sitting Board Member In Her Ultimately Failed Quest For Reelection Has Politicized Here Remaining Ternure To Her Disadvantage from page 2

personnel who had no information as to where either was or when they were to return.

Walker's tenure as the superintendent grew problematic shortly after she was promoted into the acting/interim superintendents' post in September 2024, a mere month after having been brought in as the interim assistant superintendent for personnel in August 2024. Walker was moved into the acting superintendent's role because of the abrupt resignation of John Albert, the district's one-time assistant superintendent for human resources, who had himself been moved into the interim superintendent's position following a move by what was then the board majority, consisting of Christine Turner, La Shawn Love-French and Christina Steward, to place then-Superintendent Michael Krause on leave in March 2024. Krause and the district reached a separation agreement in June 2024, whereupon the following month he took out nomination papers to run in the November 2024 election for the Area 1 board position against Turner.

After temporarily promoting Walker to the interim superintendent's post, the school board

the following month voted to hire the executive headhunting firm of Leadership Associates to carry out a nationwide search for a superintendent to occupy the position on a permanent basis.

As the Fall 2024 campaign heated up, Walker acceded to requests by the then-board majority to hire, at the district's expense, an attorney, Dominic Quiller, to author a letter that was sent to Krause, asserting that his candidacy and campaign for the school board constituted an abrogation of his separation agreement with the district, in particular its non-disparagement clause which required that the district and Krause mutually refrain from making any statements about the other that could be construed as critical. Dominic informed Krause that the district was immediately discontinuing the scheduled monthly payments and accompanying medical coverage he was receiving as in accordance with the six-month severance pay-out contained in the separation agreement and that if he did not immediately withdraw from the board race, the district would sue him.

Krause did not discon-

tinue his candidacy. As a result of the poll voting at the three precincts in the Adelanto School District Area 1 on November 5, 2024 and the mail-in ballots received by the San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters Office prior to, the day of and after the election, Krause defeated Turner by a margin of more than 5.5 percent, as he claimed 1,720 or 52.78 percent of the total 3,259 votes cast to Turner's 1,539 votes or 47.22 percent. With the election concluded, Turner's remaining time on the board was reduced to just over a month, with four-year term to which she had been elected in 2020 due to expire in December 2024.

In that interregnum, one week after the election, on November 12, 2024, Turner, Steward and Love-French voted to dispense with the nationwide search for a superintendent and instead permanentize Walker as superintendent, approving a contract with her that runs until June 30, 2028. The contract was not, as required by law, made public on the November 12, 2024 agenda. The contract conferred upon Walker a compensation package that dwarfed that of any previous superintendent, consisting of a yearly salary of \$282,782, perquisites and pay add-ons of \$16,747 and benefits of \$75,888 for a total annual compensation of \$375,417. Moreover, it involved providing Walker with a level of job secu-

rity never provided to earlier superintendents. Terminating her under the contract, either with cause or without cause, required under the contract's terms, a supermajority vote of the board, that is, four of five votes. The vote to hire Walker was made on a 3-to-2 vote of the board on November 12, 2024, with Turner, Steward and Love-French prevailing and board members Miguel Soto Jr. and Stephanie Kyer, who were not provided with a copy of Walker's proposed contract, in opposition.

After the election results were certified, Krause was sworn in. Over the next several months, a new majority on the board evolved. Soto and Kyer previously had not been aligned with Turner, Love-French and Steward and had not joined in with them in March 2023 in voting to place then-Superintendent Krause on administrative leave. Nor had they supported hiring Quiller to write the letter to Krause in October 2024 in an effort to persuade him to drop out of the race and they were unsupportive of the decision to extend and approve a contract with Walker while the district was yet engaged in a nationwide superintendent recruitment effort. With Krause having joined Soto and Kyer on the board dais and with Turner gone, the 3-to-2 majority of Turner, Love-French and Steward prevailing over

Soto and Kyer became a 2-to-3 minority, with Love-French and Steward dissenting to the predominating Soto, Kyer and Krause.

Initially, at least, Soto, Kyer and Krause sought to make the best of things, as the imperative to educate the district's 7,742 students beckoned constantly, and keeping things moving at the 14 campuses – nine elementary schools, three middle schools, two kindergarten to 8th grade schools – and its three alternative programs took precedence

over whatever matters of personality conflicts or differences that cropped up among the board members.

In time, however, particularly during the two-and-a-half month summer break from regular academics, issues developed that created tension between Walker and the board majority.

In the summer of 2025, Julie St. John-Gonzales, the district's assistant superintendent of business services, precipitously jumped ship, leaving the employ

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Instead Of Applying Honey In An Effort To Capture Rendler's Vote, Progressives Used Vinegar, Ultimately Forcing Her Into The Conservative Camp *from page 2*

transsexuals. Banning the pride flag was tantamount to shaming those of alternate sexuality and risked inflicting on the more sensitive among them such deep psychological trauma that they would be driven to suicide. Preventing students from having access to books was indistinguishable from the book banning/book burning of Girolamo Savonarola in the 1490s or the German National Socialists in the 1930s. And anyone seeking to prevent those who consider themselves to be women from presenting themselves as such and being accorded the basic human respect of having their chosen identities recognized and honored were bigots of the lowest order who were falsely claiming they were protecting women to further their own sexist agenda, those on the liberal side of the political divide asserted. Olson and Wilson were, quite simply and clearly, seeking to impose their white Christian mindset on everyone else, they said.

Meanwhile, the bewildered Rendler was caught in a no-win situation between Redlands Awake and Together For Redlands. Those on both sides of the divide believed with the same degree of passion that the decision for Rendler was a simple and straightforward one: she should come down on their side. When Rendler hesitated, seeking deliberate and potentially compromise, the community's conservatives such as those with Redlands Awake became impatient with her dawdling. The buttonholed her, poked her in the ribs and told her, quietly and out of the earshot of the public, that she should do what is moral and right by just saying, "No," to the queers.

There was nothing so subtle about Together For Redlands, which did its lobbying of her not

in private but in public. Its members and others of like mind made their feelings known about the rightwing Christian bigots who were seeking to commandeer the city's once-vaunted public education system. They told her straight out that she could either stand with those who were on the right side of history and shut down Olson and Wilson's fascist takeover or disgrace herself by siding with them. When Rendler continued to hang fire, the liberals turned mean.

Having been elevated to the position of board president, Rendler officiated over the meetings. She prided herself on being able to conduct open, spirited and exploratory discussions of issues of impost to the district in an orderly and dignified manner in which those participating were respectful, civil and courteous. As it grew obvious that Rendler was not decisively falling onto the liberal side of the divide, a tactic the progressives used against her was to deny her the ability to conduct civilized hearings. Instead of redoubling their efforts to win Rendler over, they openly sought to offend and insult her by engaging in ad hominem attacks on the community's conservatives or those present at the meeting with pointed verbal abuse, personal attacks, profanity and departures from propriety that plunged the board meetings into chaos. Members of Together For Redlands reserved some of the most vitriolic attacks for Rendler.

The tone deaf political approach that the progressives in the community were taking in the effort to win Rendler over was obvious to many on hand at the meetings or viewing them on television or by steaming them over the internet. Rendler wanted nothing so much as to be respected and given

her due as board president. The strategy, to the extent that there was one, was to deny her that dignity unless and until she came across to vote with Holohan and Ayala-Quintero. Meanwhile, the traditionalists, who were themselves a bit miffed with Rendler's unwillingness to make up her mind, prudently waited the situation out, doing nothing over to offend the board president. Rendler, stuck in a no-win situation where both choices seemed equally problematic or nonsensical, and facing a choice between two unpleasant options, found herself at last swayed more by the attacks the liberals were making on her than the persuasiveness of the traditionalists. Ultimately, she gravitated to Wilson and Olson's side of the divide.

At this point, those at the forefront of the Redlands progressive movement maintain they were right all along in engaging in the blistering attacks on Rendler. Rendler was never on a trajectory to see eye-to-eye with Redlands liberals and left-leaning residents in the city, a spokeswoman for Together For Redlands told the Sentinel in October 2025.

"It is implied that Ms. Rendler is solely reacting to the tactics used by Together For Redlands," a group statement read. "In fact, Ms. Rendler had previously voiced support for banning books and banning flags during previous school boards, but lacked support for such positions until Ms. Olson and Ms. Rendler were elected." On April 22, 2025, the Redlands Unified School District Board of Education passed a 3-2 resolution, with Rendler, Olson and Wilson prevailing, aimed at banning transgender girls, i.e., those assigned male identification at birth, from competing as part of girls' sports teams.

On July 8, 2025, following a lengthy and emotional meeting the Redlands Unified School passed, by a 3-to-2 margin with Rendler, Olson

and Wilson prevailing, a policy restricting flags on school campuses and in classrooms. That policy prohibits the display of the gay pride flag at school facilities.

On August 19, 2025, on a 3-to-2 vote, with Rendler, Olson and Wilson prevailing, the Redlands School Board passed a policy establishing a formal, 45-day review process for challenging books in school libraries and classrooms alleged to be obscene, sexually explicit, or inappropriate for students. That policy allows the books to be banned if a panel consisting of the district superintendent, the assistant superintendent of educational services and either the director of primary education or the director of secondary education deem the book to be more sexually explicit/inappropriate than of educational value.

Not all, but some, district teachers protested vigorously over the district's policy changes. In some cases, those teachers lodged protests that were respectful of the board majority. In other cases, those protests were less than respectful.

Those on that list included: nine assistant principal at the elementary and middle school level; two special services coordinators, including one who specializes in athletics and student support; eight so-called academic case carrier counselors; eight elementary school counselors; six secondary school counselors; four librarians; four program specialists; ten teachers and counselors with the Redlands Adult School; three school nurses; twenty teachers on assignment at various schools; sixteen physical education teachers; one English language teacher; one coordination at the district's Academics, Arts & Athletics (AAA) Academy; two family and community engagement liaisons; nine health care technicians; three general instructional paraprofessionals; five special education

instructional paraprofessionals; twelve library paraprofessionals working four hours per day; one library paraprofessional working five hours per day; one library paraprofessional working six hours per day; one library paraprofessional working eight hours per day; six full time library paraprofessionals; two licensed vocational nurses; and three special education behavior assistants.

Cabral said that the proposal was "horrible" but the district's top administrators were making the recommendation based on the way that would best balance the district's budget.

"It is horrible," he said. "There is no choice. We need to reduce that," but acknowledging, "It is not good for our kids."

Nevertheless, Cabral said, financial reality is pushing the district into "making the decision now."

This week, Superintendent Juan Cabral brought before the board a proposal to inform 138 district employees that they potentially will be laid off at the end of the current school year in June.

Some of the members of the public present at the meeting, including parents, some teachers, a few of the district's non-teaching employees and some students were critical of the preparations for the layoffs.

Some suggested publicly and some privately that the move was made in part because of the manner in which Rendler is alienated from those activated liberals in the community, extending to many teachers and members of the teachers' union. Others have said proposal had something to do with the board majority's hostility toward the community's progressives.

Holohan harkened back to 2008 and 2009, when the downturn in the economy had resulted in a loss of revenue to the district. She said the district had administrators go to all of the district's schools to interview the principals to

hear their recommendations on how to achieve operational savings and determine what teachers or employees should or could be let go. She indicated she could not get behind wholesale layoffs.

Critics of the board majority have suggested that Rendler, Olson and Wilson are looking to punish district employees for having opposed the policy changes they pushed through last year and the way some of that opposition was personalized to them.

Redlands Teachers Association President Stephen Caperton said the lion's share of the cuts the board is pursuing pertain to teaching, classrooms and services to students while only three positions are being taken out of administration at the district office. The board was not being judicious or even-handed in making the cuts, which he said were necessitated by the board's previous decisions.

"When cuts are necessary," Caperton said, "they must be laser-focused and focused on maintaining our mission."

Holohan wanted the district administration to lay out other options for cutting costs.

According to Olson, the district is just coming to grips with fiscal reality. Part of that reality was created by the district intensifying spending in 2021 after receiving money from the state and federal government to deal with the COVID-19 crisis. In 2021, flush with that money, which discontinued after one-time infusions, the district provided 13 percent to 14 percent raises to teachers.

"When the one-time money runs out, it catches up, and it has caught up to us," Olson said.

Ayala-Quintero said the teachers deserved the raises that were made after the district's receipt of the COVID-19 funding because they had worked hard to keep the district's educational mission running during the crisis.

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sizes are now set at 200 square feet for ADUs and 150 square feet for JADUs. To streamline approvals, Land Use Services will adopt the state-mandated permitting timelines: 75 calendar days for standard plan applications and 45 calendar days for pre-approved plan applications.

At the board's January 27 meeting, the panel approved discretionary funding allocations to support various community initiatives through what the county calls the district specific priorities program.

The county will appropriate:

- \$433,500 from Second District Supervisor Jesse Armendarez's district specific priorities program to the Fontana Unified School District to enhance school safety through a new crisis alert platform program for \$418,500 and to support Summit High School Cheer Boosters for \$15,000.

- \$150,000 from Armendarez's district specific priorities program to the City of Fontana to support its Downtown Economic Development Plan, including cultural programming, artist development and small business activation.

- \$125,000 from Armendarez's district specific priorities program to The Rivers Edge Ranch to launch a women's residential recovery program in Apple Valley.

- \$50,000 from Armendarez's district specific priorities program to Thundar Lightning and Peace to expand outreach and wellness services for veterans and first responders.

- Up to \$50,000 from Fourth District Supervisor Curt Hagman's district specific priorities program to Chino Post No. 299 American Legion Department of California to support the event hall renovation project at the Chino post.

These investments

will enhance recovery services, economic opportunity and public safety through strategic partnerships that will help the county to achieve its declared goals.

The board on January 27 approved the creation of a Child Welfare Ad Hoc Committee to review and recommend policy changes that strengthen child protection and family services. The committee will consist of Vice Chair and Fifth District Supervisor Joe Baca, Jr. and Second District Supervisor Jesse Armendarez.

This newly formed committee will work alongside county departments to evaluate the structure, practices and policies of the county's child welfare system. In 2025, the San Bernardino County Children and Family Services Department received more than 24,800 referrals and served over 7,100 children, including more than 5,400 in active foster care placements. The committee's goal is to identify and address barriers to child safety, improve case timelines and enhance long-term outcomes for children and families.

The San Bernardino County Division of Animal Care is partnering with The PAW Mission to expand mobile veterinary services to support animal shelters and community cat programs throughout the county. The \$500,000 annual

agreement will provide spay/neuter, vaccination and general veterinary care both in the field and at the county's Devore and Big Bear shelters from February 1 through January. 31, 2028.

The PAW Mission will help reduce overcrowding by preparing more shelter animals for adoption and expanding the Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Return program to humanely reduce free-roaming cat populations in unincorporated areas.

The board approved a \$1.2 million contract with E-1 Holdings, Inc. to purchase and upfit eight new vehicles to support San Bernardino County Behavioral Health's Community Crisis Response Teams in their mobile crisis response to strengthen mental health care in the field.

The new vehicles will enhance the county's ability to deliver mental health crisis intervention services directly in the community, often in coordination with law enforcement or emergency medical responders. The units will be equipped with emergency lighting, communications technology, storage and interior modifications to support a safe and effective field response.

By increasing timely access to behavioral health services, the county is making continued progress toward achieving its declared goals.

The San Bernardino

County Public Defender received a \$1.7 million grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to support holistic defense services in the county. The funding will help to establish an interdisciplinary, client-centered legal representation model, including wrap-around services such as social work, mental health support and reentry services.

The board on January 27 accepted more than \$45 million in grant funding to support local efforts to prevent infectious disease and improve behavioral health services, including:

- Approximately \$4.7 million from the California Department of Public Health to San Bernardino County Public Health for the Sexually Transmitted Infection Prevention and Collaboration Program for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031.

Funds will support sexually transmitted infection prevention, testing, treatment and care activities focused on high-risk and at-need populations.

At least 50 percent of the funds must be allocated to community-based organizations or nonprofit health care providers selected through a competitive process.

The county is also going to receive approximately \$1.7 million from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention which is to be provided to the Coun-

ty Department of Public Health for strengthening public health infrastructure through November 30.

Funding will allow the County Public Health Department to enhance the department's performance management and accreditation effort, the development of policies and standard practices, updates to the electronic health record system, and financial management and procurement processes.

This is the county's second award installment under this grant program.

Approximately \$39 million from the California Department of Health Care Services for the Bond Behavioral Continuum Infrastructure Program (Round 1: Launch ready grant) to San Bernardino County Behavioral Health through June 30, 2026.

Behavioral Health will utilize approximately \$3.9 million in American Rescue Plan Act funding, land contributed to the Pacific Village Platinum Campus and any needed 2011 Support Services funds to meet the 10% local match requirement for the grant award.

The departments will utilize the grant funds toward the construction and rehabilitation of the campus, including facilities for crisis stabilization, crisis residential, community and outpatient behavioral health services and clini-

cally enriched long-term treatment.

By receiving these grant funds, the departments of public health and behavioral health are working toward achieving the health care goals in the Countywide Vision Statement.

The San Bernardino County Department of Community Development and Housing presented the proposed 2026-27 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Consolidated Annual Action Plan, which serves as the county's formal grant spending strategy for approximately \$9.1 million in anticipated federal entitlement funding from federal programs, including Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships and Emergency Solutions Grant.

This comprises county government's affordable housing and community development investment strategy

The department developed the plan in collaboration with local jurisdictions, service providers, developers and the San Bernardino County Office of Homeless Services.

The final annual action plan will be presented to the board in April for approval and submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in April.

Walker's Quietly Done Managerial & Hiring Decisions Have Come Under Increasing Scrutiny By The Current School Board Majority from page 4

of the Adelanto Elementary School District with no forewarning and little more than a second-hand explanation that she had been offered a higher paying opportunity elsewhere. St. John-Gonzales's departure caught the board, which had been satisfied with her performance, unawares and sent the Adelanto Elementary School District scrambling to replace her. In fielding a set of potential candidates to replace St. John-Gon-

zales, Walker offered the board a short list of applicants to interview and choose from. When it emerged that information about the background of at least some of those candidates had been withheld, members of the board majority became concerned about the level of openness and transparency that Walker was maintaining.

Inquiries with regard to some other issues highlighted what members of the board

majority characterized as communication problems or the withholding of what some said was crucial information upon which they were basing their decisions. Soto, Kyer and Krause, observing what they interpreted as Walker's reluctance to provide them with information and documentation they were seeking, grew concerned that there was a hidden agenda they were not privy to that was playing out in the district they were sworn to oversee. This resulted in the board members going to the extraordinary effort of filing requests

and California's Public Records Act for the district records and internal documents, material that under most circumstances is routinely available to board members. In some cases, records and documents were said to be missing or did not exist. The claim that records the district kept as a normal consequence of its operations were nonexistent was perceived as a deliberate effort by Walker to stymie the board's exercise of oversight. In other cases, the board learned of some expenditures which seemed to have no or questionable value

toward the education of the students in the district. While some were relatively minor expenditures, there were several which pertained to the district engaging in outsourcing of services traditionally provided inhouse, such as securing bus service from outside transportation companies when the district has buses and drivers of its own. Another involved the district's receipt of \$150,000 in Expanded Learning Opportunities Program funds from the California Department of Education. Those knowl-

Instead Of Constructing A \$23.2 Million Annex To Increase City Hall’s Current 27,000 Square Feet To 45,000 Square Feet, Fontana Officials Are Going To Tear The \$34.8 Million Structure Down And Replace It With a \$58 Million Building *from page 3*

\$769,800 renovation of the then-18-year-old City Hall. He gave members of the city council assurances that he would be able to get the job done on the cheap by getting discounts on several elements of the work that had to be done to complete the job, but was unclear as to the specifics. What Ratelle had in mind was that a handful of unofficial trades with contractors and developers by which he had given them assurances project proposals they had in the pipeline would get “expedited” treatment with the city’s planning division in exchange for work on the City Hall renovation to be done at cost or no cost with the city paying for materials. The project was completed in 1983 and its cost defrayed through transfers and “borrowings” from multiple municipal funds and accounts, including one for \$336,000 in one fell swoop from the city’s sewer bond debt reserve fund which Ratelle did not bother to inform the council about. Eventually, a small group of civically-minded residents discovered

that the amount of money in the city’s sewer fund had precipitously dropped from \$668,000 to \$332,000, without any indication of a disbursement for purposes related to wastewater treatment or the city’s sewer or effluent conveyance systems. Ongoing development at that time was placing a burden on the city’s existing sewage treatment system, necessitating, ultimately, increases in the sewer service rates charged to domestic, commercial and industrial users. After residents and businesses brought the vanishing of money from the city’s sewer fund to the attention of the city council, council members demanded an explanation from Ratelle. Without acknowledging explicitly that the money had been used for the City Hall expansion project, Ratelle assuaged the city council by suggesting that was the case, whereupon the city council acceded to a citizen committee’s recommendation that the city discontinue using money in sequestered municipal accounts intended or earmarked for

specific purposes, such as the sewer fund, to pay for unrelated municipal projects and programs, such as the City Hall expansion. In late 1983, at the city council’s direction, Ratelle and then Finance Director Ed Luekemeyer transferred \$400,000 that had been appropriated for civic projects unrelated to maintaining or expanding the sewer system back into the sewer bond debt reserve fund. This was seen by many knowledgeable residents as an admission by city officials that the city was gouging its residents in charging them for the provision of basic services and diverting the inflated proceeds for unauthorized and illegitimate purposes and uses. In response, the city council, Ratelle and other top administrators offered an assurance that the money the city was taking in was being well spent. They said the City Hall expansion was intended to promote the civic center’s usefulness for another half century or beyond, perhaps extending City Hall’s life to the century mark in 2064. It is clear from what the current city council is doing that its members do not believe they need to honor the commitments made by their predecessors in the 1980s

and early 1990s. Some have suggested that the mayor and current members of the council – Acquanetta Warren, John Roberts, Jesse Sandoval, Phil Cothran, Jr. and Pete Garcia – are throwing economic conservatism to the wind largely because they see an opportunity to provide themselves with a form of immortality of a sort – getting their names on the cornerstone of the new City Hall, a shrine that will outlive them and perpetuate their renown, at least in Fontana, until the 22nd Century. While Warren, Roberts, Sandoval, Cothran and Garcia are intoxicated with the idea of their grandchildren’s grandchildren being able to proudly point out to their contemporaries who their great-great-grandmother or great-great-grandfather was, the cost the city is taking on is sobering. Revizto, Tech 24 Construction and Mann-Lee Building Materials are in rough concurrence that constructing a 45,000-square-foot public building, such as a library, community center, or government office typically ranges from \$13.5 million to over \$26 million, based on average commercial costs of \$300 to \$600+ per square foot. Allowances

for a deviation in cost is made for construction specialized public buildings, such as police stations, which can reach upward to \$580/square foot, since complex community facilities can and often do fall on the higher end of the stated range. This is consistent with the cost Fontana city officials spoke about when they were discussing the City Hall project as recently as two years ago, when the figure[s] \$27 million-to-\$29 million were being thrown around. At this point, the price tag has more than doubled, reaching \$58 million. Approximately calculating that the currently existing City Hall’s 27,000 square feet represent 60 percent of the 45,000 square feet of the new City Hall, given that the yet-existing but now empty quarters remain fully functional, the value of the facility to be torn down is \$34.8 million. Utilizing that math, the cost of constructing an 18,000-square foot annex to the existing City Hall would cost roughly \$23.2 million, It has been observed that three of the members of the council are current or former government employees who are provided with generous and/or comfortable salaries and benefits or

pensions paid for by the taxpayers. Councilman Pete Garcia, who works for the State of California’s Department of Toxic Substances Control, draws a \$194,572.36 salary and \$58,719.30 in benefits for an annual total compensation of \$253,291.66. Councilman John Roberts, who is retired as a firefighter with San Bernardino County, draws an annual pension of \$137,240.91 Mayor Acquanetta Warren, who is a retired municipal employee primarily with the City of Upland, draws an annual pension of \$98,421.24, based on her 24 years and 7.5 months as a city official. Councilman Jesse Sandoval, who is a retired municipal employee with the City of San Bernardino, is pulling an annual pension of \$69,862.07. In this way, a majority of the city’s current decisionmakers, as government employees or former employees in the public sector who do not or did not feel the pinch of taxation in the same way that the majority of city residents, who are employed within the private sector and are subject to the vicissitudes of not just their own tax burden but taxation as levied upon their private sector employers. It is the mayor’s and city council’s easy come, easy go relationship with and perception of public money that might account, some believe, in the way in which the city is willing to knock down a building worth \$34.8 million to replace it with one costing \$58 million. For Mayor Warren and councilmen Roberts, Cothran and Garcia, all of whom are Republicans, the razing of the existing City Hall harbors a highly personalized bonus. Doing so will allow for the removal of famed Italian sculptor Michele Paszyn’s 40-inch high by 32-inch by 16-inch cast bronze bust of John F. Kennedy, mounted on a 49-inch high by 33-inch by 25-inch granite-faced plinth

Despite Progressives’ Suggestion Employee Cuts Are A Spiteful Gesture By The District’s Conservative-Leaning Board Majority, District Staff Cites Hiring Splurge & Raises During COVID-19 Crisis As Having Created Expenses The District Can No Longer Afford *from page 5*

employee and pro-union advocacy, coupled with her criticism of the board majority, encapsulates the deep philosophical divide within the district. Some, such as Ayala-Quintero and Holohan see keeping teachers employed and generously compensated as a primary goal of the district, and argue that doing so ensures a top-flight education for the students in the district. Others assert that pay, benefits and job security for teachers and district staff should be

secondary to the quality of education provided to students and that if money is needed to enhance educational opportunities, then laying off non-critical teachers and staff to obtain that funding should be pursued. Olson said the cuts might prove necessary. District employees with a window on the district’s finances said the preparation to make the personnel cuts was a logical reaction to the district’s current financial picture and trends.

According to Deputy Superintendent Jason Hill, COVID-19 funding was utilized to hire employees as school resumed following the 2020-2021 shutdown. The discontinuation of the funding with the district still employing those added teachers and staff is draining district resources at present. Layoff would return district staffing levels to those before the COVID-19 crisis, Hill said. He indicated the district has for two years understood that those hirings in 2021 and 2022 were supposed to be temporary. During the June 24 school board meeting, RUSD Director of Fiscal Services Kirtan Shah previously told the board

that at the end of the district’s 2025–26 budget cycle in June, there will be a year-end fund balance of \$70.7 million in the district’s reserves, down from \$91 million the previous year. By 2028, the reserves will have diminished to \$48 million as a result of declining enrollment and reductions in state funding. At this point, more than half way through 2025-26, the district’s reserved are down to \$74 and \$55 million of that is restricted funding, earmarked for spending on specifics into the future. The difference represents the district’s true reserves, Hill intimated. Much of that \$19 million will be eaten up by anticipated but uncertain

costs and maintenance, he said. Thus, the district has \$8 million that is not already scheduled to be spent on known costs. The accusation that Olson and Wilson were pursuing the layoffs to inflict punishment on faculty members who had opposed their policies was essentially discredited when it was noted that there is a protocol which protects teachers with the most seniority, such that the district must utilize a “last hired, first fired” approach in thinning the ranks of the district’s employees. In many cases, it was the longest-serving faculty members that were most vociferous in protesting the board majority’s actions. -Mark Gutglueck

Valles Antagonized The Political Establishment *from page 3*

which were secured by assets and collateral which were woefully overvalued.

Initially coming into office, Valles was aware of none of that. She had expected to become a member of the team, indeed was looking forward to it, but that did not happen. What she sensed, virtually from the moment she was sworn in as a councilwoman, was that she was an outsider whom those already on the inside were not sure about. They were not certain that she could be trusted if she were told about everything that was happening. She was kept in the dark on a lot of things. Still, there were things she couldn't miss.

"On the Victorville city council I saw the corruption and kickbacks," she said. Having not been welcomed into the inner sanctum, she made no bones about distinguishing herself from her council colleagues, referring to action the council took as things "they" rather than "we" carried out.

In April 2013, the Securities and Exchange Commission alleged that fraud was committed by the city of Victorville, the Southern California Logistics Airport Authority and Keith Metzler, who held the dual roles of assistant city manager and executive director of the airport authority, when misrepresentations were allegedly made to the purchasers of bonds, the proceeds from which were intended to assist in the development of Southern California Logistics Airport.

The airport authority was formed by the city of Victorville to facilitate the conversion of the former George Air Force Base, which was shuttered by the Department of Defense in 1992, into a civilian airport. The Southern California Logistics Airport Authority, which has as its board of directors all five members of the Vic-

torville City Council, issued bonds which were sold to investors to generate revenue to be used in converting the base to civilian use.

The Securities and Exchange Commission's action pertained to bonds that were issued in April 2008, before Valles was elected to the council. There was suspicion among those in the Victorville establishment that it was Valles who had dined the city out to the SEC. Valles has never confirmed that, exactly, saying simply, "I fought them. I saw them giving everyone raises even while we were failing to make bond payments."

Relatively early on, Valles recognized that her ability, on her own, to reform Victorville was limited. In 2012, she sought, but ultimately failed, to move into a more powerful and higher ranking position from which she could effectuate change. In 2012, when long-time Congressman Jerry Lewis did not seek reelection in what was then California's 8th Congressional District, she ran, as a Republican, to succeed him. Ultimately, Paul Cook, then a California Assemblyman, prevailed in that bid.

In 2014, she opted against seeking reelection to the Victorville City Council. In 2016, she and her husband, Apple Valley Councilman Rick Roelle, in a highly unconventional move, both challenged incumbent San Bernardino County First District Supervisor Robert Lovingood for reelection. They were joined in the race by two city councilmen from Hesperia. Valles captured second place in that year's June Primary Election and went on to the run-off against Lovingood that November. She lost in a surprisingly narrow 51.76 percent to 48.24 percent contest to the incumbent.

In 2018 Valles was among a field of 12 candidates in the race for three positions on the Apple Valley Town Council. She finished

seventh.

She has not been directly involved in politics since, other than as a consequence of Roelle's service as a member of the Apple Valley Unified School District Board of Trustees and through her commentary on her personal blog, which expounds, sometimes extensively, on politics. As a consequence of her blog, there was speculation that she was going to run for the Apple Valley Town Council this year. That is not accurate, however. She says she had no such plans and, in actuality, is a resident of Apple Valley's District 2, where an election will next be held in 2028.

Valles and Roelle also have a home in Northern California, which falls within California's First Congressional District. Last year, in reaction to a redistricting effort in Texas pushed by Texas Governor Greg Abbott intended to transform congressional districts in the Lone Star State held by Democrats into Republican leaning jurisdictions that will therefore fall into Republican hands and help preserve a Republican majority House of Representatives following the mid-term November 2026 election, California Governor Gavin Newsom and his Democratic cohorts placed Proposition 50 on a special November 2025 ballot. Proposition 50 called for gerrymandering the existing California Congressional map such that five of the 12 congressional seats in California now held by Republicans will be likely to flip to Democrats in the November 2026 election. Among those seats where the borders were rearranged to move Republicans out of the district and Democrats in was the First Congressional District to which Republican Doug LaMalfa was elected in 2024. Proposition 5 was passed by the state's voters in November 2025.

In a quick response, Democrats Mike McGuire, James Salegui, Casey Stewart and Kyle

Wilson jumped into the First Congressional District race. The Republicans were yet backing up and trying to regroup, contemplating, perhaps, getting another Republican to run in the primary, hoping that with so many Democrats competing and two Republicans in the race, the Democratic vote might be diluted to the point that the two Republicans would finish first and second in the June Primary, qualifying themselves for November run-off, thus thwarting Newsom and company's plan to flip the Republican First Congressional District Democratic. Things went topsy-turvy on January 6 when LaMalfa died.

According to Valles, "Following the unfortunate passing of Congressman Doug LaMalfa, I believed there was both an opportunity and a responsibility to ensure Northern California does not lose this Republican seat under the realities created by Proposition 50 and redistricting. Quite candidly, repeating the same candidate profile without regard to changing voter demographics places the seat at risk.

"In that context, I was contacted by Mike Greer, who identified himself as representing the Northern California Republican Central Committee," Valles continued. "During that conversation, he encouraged me not to run, explaining that party leadership preferred career politician Dan Gallagher of the California Assembly and did not want additional candidates 'crowding the field.' I respectfully declined. I made clear that I am running because I believe I offer a stronger, more competitive alternative—particularly among independent voters, Hispanic voters, and women, all of whom are increasingly decisive in District 1. If Republicans fail to broaden the coalition, this seat is far more likely to flip."

Valles said, "While I have never received formal party support,

my decision is grounded in electoral reality, not internal politics. California Republicans will not secure or expand representation without candidates who reflect and appeal to the voters necessary to win general elections."

In spelling out her campaign platform, Valles said, "Northern California's economy is driven by small businesses, agriculture, trades, tourism, and resource-based industries" and she said the region needs, "economic opportunity, small business and workforce development."

With regard to the nation's overall need for fiscal responsibility, she said Congress in general must reduce federal spending and the national debt. "The national debt is a serious threat to economic stability, national security, and future generations. Endless deficit spending reflects political convenience, not leadership."

She indicated that she is behind President Trump's crackdown on illegal immigration, stating this was a matter of "public safety, border consequences and the rule of law. Public safety begins with the rule of law. When laws are selectively enforced, rural communities suffer."

With Valles, maintaining the Second Amendment right to bear arms as a fundamental American principle is "non-negotiable. The Second Amendment is absolute. It is not a suggestion, not a privilege, and not subject to political fashion. It exists for one reason: to ensure that free people are never dependent on criminals or corrupt systems for their survival."

She opined that the federal government has been remiss in its managing of forest lands, leading to catastrophic massive wildland fires.

"Wildfires are not an unavoidable reality at today's scale," she said. "They are the result of federal mismanagement, bureaucratic delay, and ideological land policies."

She said the state and federal government should remain in their lanes.

"One-size-fits-all federal mandates frequently fail rural communities," she said.

While she supports President Trump over the Democratic alternatives, she indicated that the executive branch at the federal level has overstepped itself and that she favors restoring constitutional governance and congressional oversight.

"The Constitution places Congress closest to the people and gives it oversight authority for a reason," she said.

Valles said she is in favor of ending federal income tax and abolishing property taxes, and funding the U.S. Government through tariffs rather than taxes on citizens' wages.

"The federal income tax is a weapon of control that punishes work, tracks earnings, and feeds a bloated federal bureaucracy," she said. "It allows Washington to confiscate wages before families ever see their paychecks — all while wasting trillions with no accountability. Property taxes are one of the most abusive and unconstitutional forms of taxation in America. If the government can seize your home because you stopped paying a recurring tax on property you already purchased, then you do not own your property — the government does."

Northern California deserves serious representation focused on results, responsibility, and respect for the people who live and work here. For too long, rural communities have carried the consequences of federal decisions made far away, without local understanding, transparency, or accountability.

This campaign is about restoring trust in government, defending liberty, and ensuring California's First District is no longer an afterthought in Washington.

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The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
HELLO VISIONARY SERVICE 12686 N BEND CT RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739: PEI CHEN YEH
Business Mailing Address: 12686 N BEND CT RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91739
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: January 5, 2026.
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ PEI CHEN YEH, Owner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/06/2025

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K7325
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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FBN20250011999
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
LOOMIS 1715 CAPRI AVENUE MENTONE, CA 92359: CHERYL M ROGERS
Business Mailing Address: 1715 CAPRI AVENUE MENTONE, CA 92359
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A.
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ CHERYL M ROGERS
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/26/2025

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K8168

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN20250011746
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
MILEY’S ANGEL HOME CARE 16510 GALA AVE FONTANA, CA 92337: MILEY’S ANGEL HOME CARE LLC 16510 GALA AVE FONTANA, CA 92337
Business Mailing Address: 14649 DEER DR FONTANA, CA 92336
The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A.
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information

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on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ MILAGROS AZUALA
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/16/2025
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy J1808
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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FBN 20250011396
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
GLOBAL INVESTMENTS [and] GLOBAL WEALTH BUILDERS [and] COREWISE ACADEMY [and] CORNERSTONE GROUP [and] ASPIRVION [and] AFFLUENTOPIA 4195 CHINO HILLS PARKWAY, SUITE E-420 CHINO HILLS, CA 91709: GLOBAL TRANSFORMATION INVESTMENTS, INC. 4195 CHINO HILLS PARKWAY, SUITE E-420 CHINO HILLS, CA 91709
Business Mailing Address: 4195 CHINO HILLS PARKWAY, SUITE E-420 CHINO HILLS, CA 91709
The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A.

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ ALISHA CHEN, CEO
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/08/2025
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K4616
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JAMES CHRISTOPHER MITCHELL, SR. CASE NO. PROV26000016

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of JAMES CHRISTOPHER MITCHELL, SR.: a petition for probate has been filed by JAMES CHRISTOPHER MITCHELL, JR. in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.
THE PETITION for Probate requests that JAMES CHRISTOPHER MITCHELL, JR. be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take

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many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held February 23, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at
Superior Court County of San Bernardino
Department V12- Victorville
14455 Civic Dr.
Victorville, CA 92392
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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FBN20260000145
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
ARROW DOG AND CAT HOSPITAL [and] ARROW DOG & CAT HOSPITAL [and] ARROW DOG & CAT VETERINARY HOSPITAL [and] GENERAL DOG & CAT HOSPITAL [and] ADVANCED PET CARE OF MONTCLAIR 5405 ARROW HWY SUITE 108 MONTCLAIR, CA 91763: GENERAL DOG & CAT VETERINARY HOSPITAL, INC. 215 CAMPBELL AVE REDLANDS, CA 92373
Business Mailing Address: 5405 ARROW HWY SUITE 108 MONTCLAIR, CA 91763
The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: January 5, 2026.

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public

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Record upon filing.
/s/ MARIAN M. HABIB, CEO
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/12/2026
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy F3010
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on January 16, 23 & 30 and February 6, 2026.

FBN20250011678
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
DESTINY RENTAL 15370 CHOLAME RD #3 VICTORVILLE, CA 92391: ROSINA MENDIOLA
Business Mailing Address: 15370 CHOLAME RD #3 VICTORVILLE, CA 92391
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: December 15, 2025.
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ ROSINA MENDIOLA, Owner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/15/2025

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K1587 Hesperia
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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FBN20260000210
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
THAT SOUL COACH 435 N 12th STREET UPLAND, CA 91786: SOUL LIFE COACHING LLC 435 N 12th STREET UPLAND, CA 91786
Business Mailing Address: 435 N 12th STREET UPLAND, CA 91786
The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number B20250352580
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A.

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ LAURIE JENKINS, CEO
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/14/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K4616
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under

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federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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FBN20260000153
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
TRUE CARE CHIROPRACTIC CENTER 1525 N D STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92405: BARRIGA CHIROPRACTIC, PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION 1525 N D STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92405
Business Mailing Address: PO Box 1752 RIALTO, CA 92377
The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California under the number B20250304400
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A.

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ GEORGINA BARRIGA ORTIZ, President
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/12/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K7326
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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FBN20250012108
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
FOOTHILL MEDIA 7035 MENDOCINO PLACE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 90701: BRADLEY D BAKER
Business Mailing Address: 7035 MENDOCINO PLACE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 90701
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A.
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ BRADLEY D BAKER, Owner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/30/2025

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy J6733
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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FBN20260000332
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
GLOBAL BEAUTE 11799 SEBASTIAN WAY STE 103 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730: PATRICIA R TSAI [and] PATRICK W. TSAI

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Business Mailing Address: 11799 SEBASTIAN WAY STE 103 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730
The business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JANUARY 10, 2026.
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ PATRICIA R TSAI, Co-owner
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 01/16/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy J6733
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on January 16, 23 & 30 and February 6, 2026.

FBN20250011867
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
SALSAS MAMA ESTELA 14043 YORKTOWN CT FONTANA, CA 92336: ANGELICA GUTIERREZ
Business Mailing Address: 14043 YORKTOWN CT FONTANA, CA 92336
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: DECEMBER 18, 2025

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ ANGELICA GUTIERREZ, Individual
Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/19/2025
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K4616

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on January 16, 23 & 30 and February 6, 2026.

FBN20250011804
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as
AVS DESIGN STUDIO 192 DORSET AVENUE UPLAND, CA 91786: ANDREA SAMANIEGO
Business Mailing Address: 192 DORSET AVENUE UPLAND, CA 91786
The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: January 27, 2021
By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.
/s/ ANDREA SAMANIEGO, Owner
Statement filed with the Coun-

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ty Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/18/2025
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K3379
Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Brent Lynn Scott Case NO. PROVA2501001

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of Brent Lynn Scott A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Christopher Scott in the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority., Christopher Scott be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in Dept. F2 at 09:00 AM on 02/24/2026 at Superior Court of California, County of Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino Probate Division, , San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, Probate Division
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal de-

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livery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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Ca 92320

Telephone No: (909)731-0946

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02/06/2026

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MARIA C. COREA

CASE NO. PRO-VA2600032

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of MARIA C. COREA:

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by REGINALDO TORRES HERNANDEZ in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that REGINALDO TORRES HERNANDEZ be appointed as personal representatives to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in Dept. F-2 at 9:00 a.m. on March 9, 2026.

San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District

Department F2 – Fontana
17780 Arrow Boulevard
Fontana, CA 92335

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in

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California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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ANTONIETTE JAU-REGUI (SBN 192624)

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER CIVSB2600258

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MELANIA APONTE LAUREANO filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: MELANIA APONTE LAUREANO to MELANIE ALONSO

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:
Date: March 4, 2026,
Time: 09:00 AM, Department: S29

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District-Civil Division, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the SAN Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: January 21, 2026
Judge of the Superior Court: Gilbert G. Ochoa
By Sylvia Guajardo, Deputy Court Clerk

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FBN20250011942
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

ALEXA'S BABY STORE 999 N WATERMAN AVE #B12 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410: BERTHA ALVARADO

Business Mailing Address: 999 N WATERMAN AVE #B12 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty

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of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

/s/ BERTHA ALVARADO, Owner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/23/2025

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy F3010

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN20260000004
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

TRUE PEST CONTROL 9350 THE RESORT PKWY, UNIT 1638 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730: MATTHEW A PAGE

Business Mailing Address: 9350 THE RESORT PKWY, UNIT 1638 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

/s/ MATTHEW A PAGE, Owner

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/02/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K9277

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN20260000407
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

REALTY NEST GROUP 10788 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE SUITE 250/260 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730: SENTRY HOME LOANS INC. 10788 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE SUITE 250/260 RANCH CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

Business Mailing Address: 7056 ARCHIBALD AVE SUITE 102-318 CORONA, CA 92880

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

/s/ ALVARO CRUZ BARAJAS MALDONADO, President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/21/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy F3010

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious

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business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN20260000261
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

SUGAR CLOUD COFFEE CO. 432 N AZALEA AVE ONTARIO, CA 91762: JOHANNA A SANCHEZ MORENO

Business Mailing Address: 432 N AZALEA AVE ONTARIO, CA 91762

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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/s/ JOHANNA A SANCHEZ MORENO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/15/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy J9535

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FBN20260000146
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

TERRA VISTA DENTAL CARE 7211 HAVEN AVE SUITE D RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91701: RAJURKAR DENTAL INC 7211 HAVEN AVE SUITE D RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91701

Business Mailing Address: PO BOX 9224 ALTA LOMA, CA 91701

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California under the number B20250426072

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

/s/ SEJAL RAJURKAR, President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/12/2026

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy J6733

Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN20250011867
The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as

SALSAS MAMA ESTELA 14043 YORKTOWN CT FONTANA, CA 92336: ANGELICA GUTIERREZ

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Business Mailing Address: 14043 YORKTOWN CT FONTANA, CA 92336

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: DECEMBER 18, 2025

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

/s/ ANGELICA GUTIERREZ, Individual

Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/19/2025

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/ Deputy K4616

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: GARY FRED HARVEY

CASE NO. PRO-VA2600040

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of GARY FRED HARVEY: a petition for probate has been filed by NORAH ELIZABETH HARVEY in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that NORAH ELIZABETH HARVEY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held March 2, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at

San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District

Department F1 - Fontana
17780 Arrow Boulevard
Fontana, CA 92335

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under

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tative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Norah Elizabeth Harvey:

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ABEL CESAR DOMINGUEZ

CASE NO. PRO-VA2600038

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of ABEL CESAR DOMINGUEZ: a petition for probate has been filed by MARY CARMEN CALDERON in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARY CARMEN CALDERON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held March 2, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at

San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District

Department F1 - Fontana
17780 Arrow Boulevard
Fontana, CA 92335

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under

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Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Mary Carmen Calderon:

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ROBERT LAWRENCE PORTER

CASE NO. PRO-VA2600072

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of ROBERT LAWRENCE PORTER: a petition for probate has been filed by ELNORA DELORES PORTER in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ELNORA DELORES PORTER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held March 17 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at

San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District

Department F2 - Fontana
17780 Arrow Boulevard
Fontana, CA 92335

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with

Personals

\$10,000 REWARD for information regarding girl born August 4, 2001 whose parents (actors) were lost in a theater collapse in Colorado, April 27, 2003. Thomas W. Campbell, Attorney-at-Law 15 Williams St. New York, NY

Civil Service Employee wants to rent suburban detached apartment, 4 or 5 bedrooms 2 baths, will pay cash for the right setting Alfred Willenstein Post Office Box 843 Sempleton, Wis.

PERSONAL Lance Corporal who saw shy governess in rickshaw on the streets of Hong Kong on March 14 would like to meet up with her again. Steve Duvery of St. Louis Missouri.

To Mr. Dockery of Northapton: Simon Duvall and Lauren Lanstoldt will confer with you in Toronto on Wednesday the sixth of next month at the normal spot for rendezvous previously established.

80-year-old man of substantial means, owner of real estate in Chicago and Buffalo, seeking woman 23-years to 28-years for close accompaniment and possible matrimony. Write confidentially in care of Otto Reitgrave, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Attention Mr. Sartorum. This is Charles Tell. You are instructed to abort the mission. Dispose of the equipment as appropriate. Make contact with Mr. Cummings to be paid in full.

Marriageable Men! Take Notice! R. Mills of Sandusky Ohio will give to any man who will marry his daughter the sum of \$500,000

36-year-old man from a good home with honorable intentions seeking a young woman of questionable morals who is in need of redemption. Will consider paying travel expenses of the right person who is serious about reforming her life. Contact Willie Dennison of Canton, Ohio 44704

Jewish man, 37, from an elite Bay Area family with an impeccable background seeking woman, well educated, attractive and Jewish, for speculative relationship extending to possible marriage. Must have passport and willingness to travel often internationally Write Schlomo Finkelstein Box 537 Sausalito, CA 94965

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an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: NANCY LYNN ROOTLAND CASE NO. PRO-VA2600066

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will

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or estate, or both of NANCY LYNN ROOTLAND: a petition for probate has been filed by MATTHEW ANTHONY ROOTLAND in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MATTHEW ANTHONY ROOTLAND be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held March 12, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at

San Bernardino County Superior Court Fontana District

Department F3 - Fontana 17780 Arrow Boulevard Fontana, CA 92335

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Matthew Anthony Rootland: R. SAM PRICE SB 208603 PRICE LAW FIRM, APC 454 Cajon Street REDLANDS, CA 92373 Phone (909) 328 7000 Fax (909) 475 9500 attorneys@pricelawfirm.com

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SUMMONS – (CITATION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO) CIVSB2427251 NOTICE TO: (AVISO DEMANDA-DO): WESTERN APPLIANCES, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, FRONTIER INVESTMENT GROUP LLC, a

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California limited liability company; QG A4L, INC., a Nevada Corporation, APPLIANCE 4 LESS, SONGTAO MA an Individual; WEIJUN JIANG an Individual; and ROES 1-20

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY CROSS-COMPLAINANT:

(LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL CONTRADEMANDANTE):

ORIENTAL APPLIANCE LLC, a Utah Limited Liability Company; and DI ZHENG, an individual

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons is served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelp-california.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación

Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una repuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no le protegen. Su repuesta por escrito tiene que estar on formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulano que usted puede usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida si secretario de la corta que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corta le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inme-

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diatamente. Si no conace a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un a un abogado, es posible que cumpia con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratu de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov), o poniendoso en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación da \$10,000 o mas de vaoir recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corta antes de que la corta pueda desechar el caso.

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y la direccion de la corte es):

San Bernardino County Superior Court 8303 Haven Avenue Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

SHORT NAME OF CASE (from Complaint): (Nombre de Caso): Western Appliances LLC -v - Di Zheng et al

CASE NUMBER: (Número del Caso): CIVSB2427251

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

Elizabeth Yang, YLO,P.C. 199W.GarveyAve.,#201 Monterey Park, CA 91754 T:877-492-645

e-mail: daniel@yanglawoffices.com

DATE (Fecha): October 10, 2025

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER CIVSB2600522

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SALMA AISHA BELTRAN filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

SALMA AISHA BELTRAN to SALMA AISHA GUZMAN

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing: Date: March 6, 2026 Time: 09:00 AM, Department: S23

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District-Civil Division, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the SAN Bernardino County Sentinel on January 30 and February 6, 13 & 20, 2026.

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date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: 1/23/2026 Judge of the Superior Court: Gilbert G. Ochoa

By Nuna Rivera, Deputy Court Clerk

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE

NUMBER CIVBA 2600034,

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Corinne Madison Reinhardt-Veldman, filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Corinne Madison Reinhardt-Veldman to Corinne Madison Veldman; Madison Taylor Veldman-Reinhardt to Madison Taylor Veldman; THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:

Date: 02/27/2026, Time: 08:30 AM, Department: B1The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, Barstow District, 235 E Mt. View Barstow, CA 92311, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the SBCS Upland in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: 01/16/2026

Judge of the Superior Court: James R. Baxter

Published in the SBCS Upland on 01/30/2026, 02/06/2026, 02/13/2026, 02/20/2026

FBN20250012108 The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as WEAR, TEAR, OR REPAIR [and] PI MAISON 14148 CALLE DOMINGO VICTORVILLE, CA 92392: PERFECTLY IMPERFECT MINISTRIES 14148 CALLE DOMINGO VICTORVILLE, CA 92392

Business Mailing Address: 14148 CALLE DOMINGO VICTORVILLE, CA 92392

The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION registered with the State of California The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: December 15, 2025. By signing, I declare that all information on this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. /s/ CHIDIMMA RUTHEZE, Owner Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 12/19/2025 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy K4616 Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

FBN20260000599 The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as BEAMCLICKS PHOTO BOOTH COMPANY [and] BEAMCLICKS [and] BEAMCLICKS PHOTO

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FBN20260000359 The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as BURGER KING #2893 9710 CENTRAL AVENUE MONTCLAIR, CA 91763: LAOC BURGERS LLC 2551 WOODLAND DR ANAHEIM, CA 92801

Business Mailing Address: 2551 WOODLAND DR ANAHEIM, CA 92801

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number 202461817048 The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JULY 9, 2025. By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. /s/ JACOB BRUMMEL, Managing Member Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/16/2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy K4616 Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on January 30 and February 6, 13 & 20, 2026.

FBN20260000180 The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as VIBEHIVE FOTONOOK [and] ASHSKY [and] REMIR [and] FRIER AND ICE 16490 BREEZY STREET FONTANA, CA 92336: IMPERIALBOBIS LLC 16490 BREEZY STREET FONTANA, CA 92336

Business Mailing Address: 16490 BREEZY STREET FONTANA, CA 92336

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registered with the State of California under the number 202463216208 The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JANUARY 13, 2026. By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130). I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing. /s/ SEPTEMBER IMPERIALBOBIS, President Statement filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 1/13/2026 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office San Bernardino County Clerk By:/Deputy L6733 Notice-This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on January 30 and February 6, 13 & 20, 2026.

FBN20260000599 The following entity is doing business primarily in San Bernardino County as BEAMCLICKS PHOTO BOOTH COMPANY [and] BEAMCLICKS [and] BEAMCLICKS PHOTO

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BOOTH CO 16490 BREEZY STREET FONTANA, CA 92336: IMPERIALBOBIS LLC 16490 BREEZY STREET FONTANA, CA 92336

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Business Mailing Address: 4195 CHINO HILLS PKWY, SUITE 537 CHINO HILLS, CA 91709

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ONESO INC 9520 7TH ST UNIT E RANCHO CUCAMONGA CA 91730 STATE OF INCORPORATION CA ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION 5107724
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s/ NANCY TYAU, CFO
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EMMA W CABRERA
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edgeable about how that money was spent described a substantial amount having gone toward purchases they say were unnecessary and in no way represented an effort toward expanded learning opportunities. Over the course of more than five months, the board majority had compiled 75 pages of documentation obtained through the California Public Records Act request process which indicated district money was being expended on items or services of no or little conceivable application toward educating the district’s students.
For a time, the board majority’s focus, at least partially, turned toward hiring decisions Walker had engaged in. While school boards generally have the ultimate author-

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s/ EMMA W CABRERA, OWNER
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EDDIE J SAVAGE
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ity with regard to whom they hire as superintendent, beyond that hiring authority for the remainder of the school district’s personnel lies with the superintendent together with the district’s personnel director, commonly referred to in recent years as the human resources manager or director. While the board is empowered to have input with regard to the hiring decisions, it is the superintendent’s judgment in making such decisions that prevails. Evolving out of the emerging board majority’s dissatisfaction with Walker was concern over the standards being applied in both hiring and the setting of salary levels.
Soto and Kyer began pressing for an audit of the superintendent’s of-

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s/ EDDIE J SAVAGE, OWNER
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ING SERVICES. 816 W HILL DR SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407;[MAILING ADDRESS 816 W HILL DR SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407]; COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO
LETTY & ROSALBA CLEANING SERVICE LLC. 816 W HILL DR SAN BERNARDINO CA 92407 STATE OF ORGANIZATION CA ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION B20250349409
The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.
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s/ ROSALBA CONCEPCION LOPEZ, MANAGING MEMBER
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ficance and a comprehensive fiscal audit of the district.
Reportedly, a topic that emerged in the board’s closed-door executive discussions relating to the superintendent’s performance was what options the district had in finding another superintendent, which would require that Walker be eased out of the post. The termination clause in her contract, however, required that no fewer than four of the board’s members vote to terminate her.
For months, the 3-to-2 board majority has been faced with the reality that despite their dissatisfaction with Walker’s performance, they do not have the political muscle to terminate the superintendent.
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the situation has become more and more apparent, there has been a well-spring of support in the community – extending to the political backers of Love-French, Steward and the currently out-of-office Turner – for Walker. Walker’s supporters include parents of some of the district’s children, some teachers and at least a handful of other district employees. The show of support they have put on has been intended to make the board majority think twice about pressing forward with an effort to force her out.
While the three apparent votes against Walker are not at this time sufficient to hand her a pink slip, there is a possibility that by the end of 2026, a fourth vote to remove her as superintendent will

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s/ MAROS O RUIZ GONZALEZ, OWNER
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s/ LISA D. CHAN, MANAGING MEMBER
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materialize. Both Love-French and Steward must stand for reelection this year and succeed to remain in office. Love-French, whose children are no longer students in the district, has made public statement indicating she might not run for re-election. Reportedly, the union representing teachers in the Adelanto Elementary School District, the Adelanto District Teachers Association, which is affiliated with the California Teachers Association and the National Education Association, will oppose both Steward and Love-French if they run.
It is in this atmosphere that Walker has been contemplating her future. While she would prefer to remain in place as the Adelanto Elemen-

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s/ LARRY C CATALDO, OWNER
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s/ LISA D. CHAN, MANAGING MEMBER
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ary School District’s superintendent until the end of her contract in June 2028 or even beyond that, it may behoove her to cut herself an exit early, foreclosing the possibility that a newly-composed board at the end of this year or early next year forces her hand by terminating her with or without cause.
There were reports two weeks ago that Walker was engaged in some confidential discussions to see what arrangements could be made for her to step down prior to her contract running its course. Speculation went all over the place. One unconfirmed report was that Walker wanted, and the district was contemplating providing, a guarantee of her contract through to June

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MELITA D CACHAPERO
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s/ MELITA D CACHAPERO, OWNER
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For All But Those Closest To Walker, Mystery Attends Her Reasoning And Goals In Absenting Herself From The District's Office While Her Supporters Were Anticipating A Demonstration Of Her Commitment As The Most Logical Response To Her Critics *from page 13*

2027, a year before her contract is set to expire. In return, she would engage in a wholehearted recruitment drive to find her replacement, essentially reinitiating the search that Leadership Associated was engaged in when the troika of Turner, Love-French and Steward rendered that effort moot by hiring her as the full-fledged superintendent a week after Turner had been voted out of office.

It seems, based on Walker's action in going out on leave with

her second-in-command Valdez and her executive secretary Lovett, that the above-referenced speculation was not quite accurate. Her action has confounded her supporters and those who are in favor of her leaving alike. While the paralysis that gripped the district during the period Walker, Valdez and Lovett were gone did prevent the agenda for the January 27 meeting from being completed and posted, resulting in the cancellation/postponement of

the meeting, that was, at best, a temporary interruption. It may have demonstrated the degree to which the district has become dependent on Walker and her team, but such dependence is not absolute. It further alerted the board majority that in the future it will need to have an alternate administration core in place if there is a repetition of what went on from January 19 to January 23.

Moreover, Walker's lasting absence and that of Valdez has resulted in the loss of what was formerly imputed to her as her morale authority. Many of her supporters had lionized her as someone who put the interest of students first and who was standing up not for herself but for the

principle of furthering educational opportunity. Leaving the district and its students in the lurch as she and Valdez have is undercutting her stature in the community.

Walker's move is inexplicable because of the position it is putting her two crucial supporters on the board – Love-French and Steward – in. Both, for as long as they remain in office, formerly came across as ready to stand unquestionably by Walker. While Love-French remains inextricably tied to Walker, Steward bond to the superintendent is not unbreakable. Indications are that Steward is intent on seeking reelection in November. In the run-up to that contest, she may find it difficult to explain to the voters of Trustee

Area 4 why she remains committed to continuing to employ a superintendent who without explanation headed out on an extended leave, departing in such a way that no arrangement for substitute management/administration/leadership put in place first and put the district's academic mission at risk.

Not just those supporting Walker but others in favor of her departure as well as district observers who have no feelings one way or the other about her continuation as superintendent are baffled by her absence.

Equally mysterious was why Valdez, whose employment with the district began under Walker but whose continuing tenure with the district

is by no means necessarily tied to that of the superintendent, seemingly acted in concert with her. The district's academic services division is arguably that part of its operations most important to the core mission, and there appears to be no one fulfilling Valdez's function. The district employees the *Sentinel* spoke with this week seemed genuinely unexpecting of what was ongoing, with one, who spoke guardedly, acknowledging that something was indeed going on, but that only those at the top of the district knew what that was. For the record, none of the board members are making any statements as to Walker's status.



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shot down (literally) because someone didn't like what someone had to say. We've even seen a broadscale banning of books—banned because of what someone expressed through their written work; writers cancelled (yours truly included, although not here at the *Sentinel*); and educators told they don't have the freedom to tell the unvarnished truth about our history because it might make some students feel "bad" about our country.

FDR would also be heartbroken to see the current crop of autocrats still running countries; from Azerbaijan (where human rights activists and journalists are routinely imprisoned), to Zambia (where our ambassador there was expelled from the country in 2019 when he dared to speak out against their oppression of same-sex couples) and continue to crush their critics, while the man who currently holds the position FDR once held, uses masked thugs from ICE as, essentially, his own private police force to harass and even kill dissenters.

This was not what FDR envisioned after World War II when blood was shed once again to make the world "safe for democracy."

Freedom of Worship: Since 1941 religious repression has continued throughout the world, following civilization's long, disgraceful history by those in power oppressing those whose beliefs they did not approve of. Yes, the United States has, by law, no religious requirement for elective office. But, even now, there are those who think that there should be, along with an unspoken agreement that non-believers running for Congress will not be elected, and it wasn't until 2006 that a congressman who was openly a "non-theist," was elected.

Also distressing has been the naked antagonism towards groups seen as outside the mainstream, with many today unaware that even some sects claiming the title of Christians, like the Mormons, were massacred in the 1900's, and, since FDR's speech, Muslims have been targeted and entire populations smeared as "garbage" by the man now occupying FDR's office.

Also profoundly

alarming has been Speaker of the House, Mike Johnson's openly advocated position that political candidates be subjected to a sort of religious "litmus test" to determine if their values are in line with Biblically based Christianity—in his world view the only sound basis for government. Although he's soft-pedaled that twisted logic lately, there's been no indication that he's renounced it—only taken it under the radar.

As for the oppression of minority religious groups in the world at-large since the FDR's speech, it's also been on-going, with one of the most egregious examples being what the Chinese did to the Tibetans when they swept in and took over that nation in the 1950's with mass executions and even widespread castrations of Tibetan monks. It's an outrage that continues today because the Chinese cannot be forced to relinquish the country (as we did for Kuwait in the 1991 Gulf War after Iraq's forceful takeover) since the Chinese (unlike the Iraqis) possess nuclear weapons in yet another example of the continuing principle that "might makes

right."

Few talk of Tibet now because of China's status as a faithful trading partner since they buy so many American products and vice versa—with the typical American home being a virtual "made in China" emporium of communist merchandise made for those "low, low prices"—which includes, of course, those unspoken low-low standards for the rights of workers.

One of the few celebrities who has spoken out loud and clear about China's crimes has been the honored film actor, Richard Gere, who's been unrelenting in his campaign of criticism. But he's had to pay a high price in ostracism and outright bans, asserting that he is no longer cast in American blockbuster films due to his criticism of China, which constitutes a huge market for such films. Then, after speaking out against Chinese human rights violations at the 1993 Academy Awards, he was banned from ever appearing again. So much for freedom of speech in America.

Besides Tibet, religious repression continues within the traditional boundaries of China itself with their systemic

near genocide of various religious minority groups, with perhaps the most well-known being the Muslim-majority Uyghurs; many of whom are now being held in the largest secretive internment camps since the Nazi Holocaust. Hundreds of thousands have been subjected to rape; torture; executions; as well as forced labor; abortions, sterilizations, and the coerced insertion of contraceptive devices. That a single American home contains a single product from such a country, is an on-going disgrace.

Meanwhile, in Myanmar, the genocide against the Rohingya Muslim majority regions by government death squads is also on-going, resulting in tens of thousands of casualties since 2017, with perhaps a million refugees fleeing to other countries, including Bangladesh, which is now the site of the largest refugee camp in the world.

Again, although we'd like to think: well, that's Myanmar—we don't commit such atrocities ourselves (although our nation certainly did in the past against the Native Americans)—take another look because Israel's on-going genocide

of Muslims in Palestine, now on a steady pace to reach some 100,000 lives—If you count those bodies rotting unrecovered in the apocalyptic rubble—has been paid for in large part by American military dollars, aided and abetted by both major political parties. I'd like to think that FDR would be appalled.

Freedom from Want: World-wide, during the next 24 hours, some 15,000 children five years of age and under will die from causes like starvation and curable diseases; dead not because there weren't ways to prevent those deaths, but because the adults around them either did not have the willingness, or, for millions, far more likely the money to pay for the food and medical care necessary to prevent them—a damning indictment of the economic systems now in place throughout the world.

Let's face it: we live in a completely topsy-turvy, upside-down world of egregious economic disparities where, shamefully, some corporate CEOs earn more money in a single day than many Americans earn in a year, and just

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Coroner’s Case #702508277: On Tuesday, 12/23/2025, at 8:49 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to southbound Interstate 15 north of highway 138 in Phelan for a traffic collision. Driver, Daniel Edward Kelleher, a 73-year-old resident of Caldwell, was pronounced on scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702508221: On Saturday, 12/20/2025, at 4:22 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the Northbound I-15 Freeway south of the Beech Avenue overpass in Fontana for a traffic collision. Motorcyclist, Christian Moran, a 27-yr-old resident of Fort Irwin was transported to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center and was pronounced deceased. For additional information contact California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702508180: On Thursday, 12/18/2025, at 09:32 a.m., the Fontana Police Department responded to the 15000 block of Village Drive E in Fontana. Joseph Murillo, a 39-year-old resident of Fontana, was pronounced dead on scene. For further information contact the Fontana Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/06/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702508176: On Thursday, 12/18/2025, at 04:54 a.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to Hwy 127 near the San Bernardino County for a welfare check. Driver, David Marquez IV, a 19-year-old resident of Pahrump Nevada was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information please contact the Barstow office of the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702508122: On Tuesday, 12/16/2025, at 7:05 a.m., California Highway Patrol responded to Eastbound Interstate 40 Freeway, west of Iwo Jima undercrossing in the city of Barstow for a traffic collision. The motorcyclist, Vincent Rodriguez, a 66-year-old resident of Barstow, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702508096: On Monday, 12/15/2025, at 6:16 a.m., officers with the California Highway Patrol responded to the Pepper Avenue onramp of the Eastbound I-10 freeway for a traffic collision. The pedestrian, Caretta Williams, a 33-year-old homeless resident of Colton, was pronounced deceased at the scene. For additional information, please contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702508026: On Thursday, 12/11/2025, at 11:3 p.m., the Ontario Police Department responded to the intersection of S. Etiwanda Avenue and E. Francis Street in Ontario for a traffic collision. Gregory Hogan, a 33-year-old resident of Rancho Cucamonga, was pronounced deceased on scene. For additional information contact the Ontario Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702508010: On Thursday, 12/11/2025, at 3:16 a.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the Northbound I-15 between Duncan Canyon Road and Sierra Avenue for a traffic collision. The driver, Brian Galvan, a 21-year-old resident of Apple Valley, was pronounced deceased on scene. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702508000: On Wednesday, 12/10/2025, at 10:14 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the CA-259 Freeway and Baseline Street in the city of San Bernardino, for a traffic collision. Jeffrey Plazz, a 44-year-old homeless resident of San Bernardino, was transported to the hospital and pronounced dead. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507980: On Tuesday, 12/09/2025, at 2:33 p.m., with the California Highway Patrol responded to the Northbound I-15 Freeway north of Kenwood Avenue in the city of San Bernardino for a traffic collision. The driver, Jesse Rudolph Navarro, 38-year-old resident of Fontana, was transported to St. Bernadine Medical Center where he was pronounced dead. For additional information contact the California Highway Patrol. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507899: On Friday, 12/05/2025, at approximately 6:27 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the I-15 Freeway north of Field Rd. in Baker for a traffic collision. Motorcycle passenger Maryann Reiman, a 29-year-old resident of Las Vegas, Nevada was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information please contact the California Highway Patrol Barstow Division. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507814: On Tuesday, 12/02/2025, at 6:29 p.m., the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department responded to Amargosa Road and Civic Drive in Victorville for a traffic collision. The pedestrian, Steven Ramirez, Jr., a 44-year-old homeless resident of Victorville, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507808: On Tuesday, 12/02/2025, at 1:06 p.m., the Rialto Police Department responded to Cedar Avenue and 2nd Street in the City of Rialto for a traffic collision. The motorcyclist, Rafael Martin Del Campo, Jr., 21-year-old resident of Bloomington, was transported to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced dead. For additional information contact the Rialto Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507793: On Tuesday, 12/02/2025, at 12:06 a.m., the Upland Police Department responded to the 100 block of W. Holt Blvd. in Upland for a traffic collision. Jerry Higdon II, a 54-year-old resident of Corona, was transported to San Antonio Regional Hospital where he was pronounced deceased. For additional information please contact the Upland Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507758: On Sunday, 11/30/2025, at approximately 11:43 p.m., the California Highway Patrol responded to the Southbound I-215 Freeway north of S. Iowa Ave. in Grand Terrace. The motorcyclist, Ricardo Zamudio, a 50-year-old resident of Moreno Valley, was transported to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center and was pronounced dead at the hospital. For additional information please contact the California Highway Patrol Inland Division. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507712: On Friday, 11/28/2025, at 10:06 p.m., the Colton Police Department responded to W. Mill St. and N. Ohio Ave. in San Bernardino for a traffic collision. Passenger Leonardo Espinoza, a 19-year-old Resident of Colton, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information please contact the Colton Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507711: On Friday, 11/28/2025, at 10:06 p.m., the Colton Police Department responded to W. Mill St. and N. Ohio Ave. in San Bernardino for a traffic collision. Passenger Alejandro Hernandez, a 25-year-old Resident of Apple Valley, was pronounced dead on scene. For additional information please contact the Colton Police Department. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

Coroner’s Case #702507683: On Thursday, 11/27/2025, at 3:05 p.m., the California Highway Patrol and the Bureau of Land Management Rangers responded to Dumont Dunes for a traffic collision. The driver, Thomas Newbold, a 68-year-old resident of Las Vegas, Nevada, was pronounced dead at the scene. For additional information contact the Bureau of Land Management. (Supervising Deputy Coroner S. Hill, 01/05/2026)

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Philosophically: Freedom From Fear & Want *from front page*

a few people have, literary, billions of dollars, while billions of people have just a few or, more often than not—none at all—hence that terrible toll on the most vulnerable among us: our children.

Although many Americans often view this world of want as one that exists beyond our borders—that world of bloated bellies; stick-thin limbs, and eyes ringed with flies—we live in denial that much of these conditions prevail in our nation as well. No, we don't see dead, emaciated bodies lying in the streets (although sometimes we do), we also don't see (or want to see) that some one out of five of our children lives in poverty; food insecurity; and lack of adequate medical care.

Fortunately, studies now show that we have seen a steady decline recently in the death rates of the youngest among us, but still much want remains both in the world and in the U.S.—a want of nutritional food; a want of even just adequate health care; and a widely-known want of housing. It's now estimated that some 70 percent of Americans cannot afford to buy a \$400,00 average-priced house.

No, we don't see the bodies in the streets, but we do see the tents on the sidewalks—a vivid daily reminder of how far we've fallen from FDR's call for a freedom from want, and today it's more obvious than ever that the entire world needs not just a minimum wage, but a "livable" wage for everyone. In other words, economic systems that ensure that anyone who's willing to work full-time makes enough income from their efforts, whatever they may be, to afford at least adequate housing; nutritional, healthy food; and the ability to live in simple decency.

FREEDOM FROM FEAR: FDR viewed this freedom through the lens of World War II, where murderous despots threatened the world's citizens with death if they didn't bow to their will, and our need to join in on the effort to end that threat. Since FDR was a thoughtful man, with a long-range view of history, he could see that our involvement was inevitable, but he also saw a need following the war for an end to any nation's capacity to mount those threats in the future.

That goal was obtainable, he argued, through diplomacy; world law; and eventually effective disarmament, where wars are ended first because we've decided to do so, but then demonstrating that commitment to a world without war by ending the production of the weapons to wage them.

Although the formation of the United Nations in the summer of 1945, shortly after FDR's passing in April seemed to indicate a budding commitment to his goals, with one of the UN's stated purposes being an end to "the scourge of war," war after war since then has steadily chipped away at his vision and the UN's since then.

Signatories to the UN charter have not only failed to achieve a world without war, and a world without weapons, but many have also failed to obey some of its most basic resolutions, treaties, and laws; one of the most blatant examples of which was committed by the U.S. government in 2003 when it attacked Iraq with a "preemptive" invasion prohibited by the charter, which clearly states that one country can't attack another unless it's first been attacked or is about to be.

The world is still not free of those fears and continues to be (although these days, more often than not, it's simply "background noise") as long as the nuclear "Sword of Damocles" hovers over our heads with all those warheads,

which still number well over ten thousand in the hands of the nuclear powers. So, not only is the goal of nuclear disarmament still unachieved, far too many continue to think that it never can be—and so trillions of dollars since World War II have been and continue to be squandered to build weapons that, ironically, can never be used unless humanity wants to commit suicide.

But, beyond the need for a freedom of fear from those "weapons of mass destruction" that FDR cited, it also needs to be mentioned that the fear of weapons in the form of the millions of firearms in our homes and neighborhoods, which not only end lives individually, but end many lives during our now routine and almost daily mass murders, is a fear many experience on a daily basis.

Because the U.S., and far too many other countries as well, have yet to decide that an armed population is not a safe population (despite all the propaganda to the contrary, the statistics show otherwise: i.e. Japan) many Americans these days are afraid to leave their homes because of the fear that they cannot do so without risking their lives.

We cannot go out to a restaurant; a music concert; a church; a mosque; a synagogue; a bar; a store; or, most tragically of all, an elementary school, without thinking of the realistic possibility that our brains will be blown out by a bullet from what seems to be an endless supply of madman bent on punishing the world—madmen wielding one or more of our many easily obtained weapons to do so—along with the almost always unspoken prospect of an even more gruesome future ahead of us as more and more sophisticated hand-held weapons are developed with the capability to kill more and more people.

So, where do we go from here? Although FDR wasn't a perfect

president (who could be?), and certainly had his own "feet of clay," the most egregious example of which was his order to intern the Japanese Americans during World War II (where not only were his feet of clay, but perhaps his entire legs), unlike others I could name, he was a positive, and inspirational president, who, eighty-five years ago, looked to the future with confidence—confidence that the human race would make the choices necessary for a world enjoying the freedoms he envisioned.

Although there has certainly been some overall progress in the world in a number of ways, the picture I've just described is bleak, with international criminals on the march and in control of countries throughout the world—criminals who should not be in power, but in prison, along with the people who protect them. So, what then to do?

For me the most obvious first step now is to make sure that criminals are not running our own country, with leadership that not just gives lip service to obeying international laws; the UN charter; and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (the writing of which was helped immensely by FDR's amazing wife, Eleanor), but actually does so.

Since the founding of our country, our government has defied and derailed many international laws and human rights on the basis of "American exceptionalism," where we essentially say: do as we say, not as we do. By first ending that mindset, in so many ways we could set an example for the world by moving forward with law-abiding leadership, instead of kicking them to the curb as we've done so often in the past.

To name a few other moves we could make: we could sign on to the International Criminal Court, created to hold lawbreaking leaders accountable for their

crimes (so far only done with third-world countries), but the U.S. has failed to do so. We could ratify the UN's law banning landmines, but again, we have failed to do so. We could ratify their international treaty for the rights of children—but, shamefully, we remain the only UN country failing to do so. We could also obey the international law that says countries cannot preemptively attack other countries—but again, we have failed to do so. Finally, we could lead the charge in a total reform of the UN so that its laws are actually enforceable rather than talking points.

Sadly, the most recent examples of our country ignoring the UN charter; violating international law; and our own Constitution (just in case anyone still cares about that) was the attack on Venezuela earlier this month—an attack that killed some 50 to 100 people (including a mother of three, Johana Rodriguez Sierra, who was actually a citizen of Colombia) in order to arrest only two. We could stop acting like these sorts of terrible "trade-offs" are totally acceptable.

Of course, we need to remember that this is a country which once incinerated tens of thousands of elderly men; pregnant women; children and infants beneath two mushroom clouds over Japan without blinking an eye in order to end World War II. That option could stop, but the no first strike policy, which only India, and, surprisingly, China, currently adhere to, remains in place here.

We could also stop electing leaders who support torture; extrajudicial executions (by both major parties); and would never suggest that we could win the War on Terror by killing the children of terrorists to demoralize their parents, as the current leader of the "free world" has said—a leader who has turned stoking fear into one of his trademarks.

In 1941 this is not

the sort of world Franklin Delano Roosevelt would envision by now, but it still could be if we decided to sincerely pursue those principles he proposed and began electing more people like him to make them a reality. These days FDR would weep, but—if you'll allow me a small bit of poetry—we can stop those tears by ending the fears and replace them with the freedoms he spoke of.

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on a stepped concrete base that was dedicated on November 22, 1964, one year to the day after Kennedy's assassination and publicly unveiled on December 6, 1964. It has remained in front of City Hall ever since. Kennedy was a Democrat.

Valles Seeking Northern California District Congressional Seat *from page 8*

require a congressional candidate to reside full-time in the district he or she represents but within the state of the Congressional delegation he or she is a part of. Despite Valles's long association with the Victor Valley, she is actually a resident with an established domicile in Shasta County.

"I purchased a Lakehouse in Lakehead, California, approximately three years ago, and have been splitting my time between Southern and Northern California since then," Valles told the Sentinel. "I am registered to vote in District 1. I live in the district part-time, and it is where Rick and I intend to retire one day."