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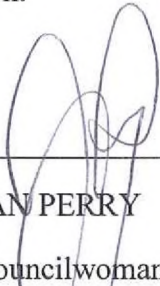
Author John Fante had a successful career as a writer spanning across several decades and mediums. His first success was the publication of one of his short stories in "The American Mercury" magazine during the late 1920's. In 1938, Fante wrote the novel Wait Until Spring, Bandini and Ask The Dust in 1939. Soon after, he returned to short stories publishing a collection called, "Dago Red," in 1940.

In the 1940's and 1950's, Fante took jobs writing for Hollywood studios. In 1952, Fante published, Full of Life an atypical work which was ironically a best-seller and a popular 1956 feature film, starring Richard Conte & Judy Holliday. In 1955 Fante was diagnosed with diabetes, resulting in blindness in 1978. In 1979, Fante dictated Dreams From Bunker Hill to his wife, and lived to see it published. John Fante passed away May 8, 1983.

It is appropriate that the City honor Jan Fante's achievements by naming the intersection at 5th Street and Grand Avenue.

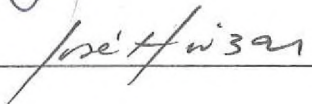
I THEREFORE MOVE that the intersection at 5th Street and Grand Avenue be named as "John Fante Square" and that the Department of Transportation be directed to erect permanent ceremonial sign(s) to this effect at this location.

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