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this matter, please refer to the
Council File No.

October 9, 2012

To All Interested Parties:

The City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council File No. 12-1499, at
its meeting held October 3, 2012.


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MOTION

The Papadakis Family have been important figures in San Pedro for three generations, and is synonymous with the famed Papadakis Taverna, which was opened at 6th and Centre Streets in 1973 by John Papadakis after a successful college football career as starting linebacker at USC. For 37 years it was the best-known attraction in San Pedro, not just for its food and atmosphere, but as a hidden gem where celebrities such as Frank Sinatra, Elizabeth Taylor, Tom Hanks and Paula Abdul gathered.

John's Greek immigrant grandfather, Nick Papadakis, owned a hotel and restaurants in San Pedro. His father, Ernest Papadakis, owned a chain of liquor stores and was a behind-the-scenes political player who helped run Congressional and Assembly campaigns. His mother, Angie, wrote jokes for Bob Hope and Phyllis Diller and served on the County and State boards of education and the Little Hoover Commission.

John's son, Petros, has achieved fame on TV and radio, and currently co-hosts the *Petros and Money Show* on Fox Sports Radio. His brother Taso, also played football at USC and is an accomplished professional photographer. Countless other members of the Papadakis family have made significant contributions to San Pedro and the City of Los Angeles.

In recognition of the Papadakis Family's contributions and service to the City, it is appropriate that the City honor them by naming the intersection where Papadakis Taverna was located as "Papadakis Square".

I THEREFORE MOVE that the intersection of Sixth Street and Centre Street in San Pedro be named as "Papadakis Square" and that the Department of Transportation be directed to erect permanent ceremonial sign(s) to this effect at this location.

Presented by 
JOE BUSCAINO
Councilmember, 15th District

Seconded by 

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