

## Resolution

### Tommy Gelinas & the Valley Relics Museum

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Valley Relics Museum is to collect and preserve the history of the San Fernando Valley in order to share the stories of those who shaped the region and its role in the area's development; and

**WHEREAS**, museum founder, Tommy Gelinas, was the only guy who had the panache and cool to pull this off and capture the essence of the San Fernando Valley experience in all its glory; and

**WHEREAS**, Tommy Gelinas has worked relentlessly to salvage and save iconic artifacts such as the Johnny Rockets, Palomino and Ben Franks signs, and constantly pursues opportunities to preserve pieces of Valley history that would otherwise be lost; and

**WHEREAS**, Tommy Gelinas, because he knows anybody who's anybody in Los Angeles, has produced such landmark events the Palomino Rides again, which was the resurrection of the celebrated honky-tonk club in North Hollywood which closed in 1995 after more than four decades as the epicenter of West Coast country music. Tommy reopened it for the night to raise money for the Valley Relics Museum; and


**WHEREAS**, Tommy and the Museum have also worked to promote a passion for the arts in the Valley, including partnering with Councilmember John Lee and Council District 12 on the Making Movies that Matter Youth Short Film Festival; and

**WHEREAS**, Tommy and the Valley Relics Museum have been recognized by many for their work in highlighting Valley history, which has resulted in receiving numerous awards and being featured on KTLA 5, Eye On LA, CBS Channel 2 and in LA Magazine, Forbes, the LA Times and Daily News; and

**WHEREAS**, Tommy couldn't do the work he does without his amazing team and delightful family which includes his wife, Staci, and daughters Belle, Mazzy, Talulah and Viola.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that by adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council recognizes the indelible mark that Tommy Gelinas and the Valley Relics Museum have had on Los Angeles and we wish him and his family all the success and prosperity in the world for years to come.

PRESENTED BY:

  
JOHN S. LEE  
Councilmember, 12<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:

  
ALL COUNCIL

  
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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, Masanori Murakami is the first Japanese player to ever play for a Major League Baseball team, the San Francisco Giants; and

**WHEREAS**, Masanori Murakami was a successful relief pitcher for the Giants in 1965, averaging over one strikeout per inning, recording eight saves and an earned run average below 4.0; and

**WHEREAS**, although not speaking a word of English when he arrived in the United States, he quickly learned English and years later became a television and radio commentator for the San Francisco Giants; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his career, Masanori Murakami has served as beacon of cooperation between Japan and the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Japanese Community of Los Angeles is celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Baseball in Japan, in Little Tokyo on July 17, 2022;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Los Angeles salutes and commends Masanori Murakami for being the first Japanese player to play Major League Baseball, for setting the stage for Japanese and other international players to join Major League Baseball, and for being an admirable ambassador for the promotion of a strong economic and cultural relationship between Japan and the United States.

PRESENTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

PAUL KORETZ  
Councilmember, 5<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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