MOTION

John Northmore, former Director of the Harbor City Teen Post, was a pillar of strength, guidance, and compassion for generations of youth and families in Harbor City and the surrounding communities. Whether you were impacted by poverty, gang violence, or the justice system, John was there, with no concern for cultural or language barriers, to offer help, hope, and healing.

To many, he was the father they never had. To others, a trusted mentor. For countless families, he was the support system they desperately needed to keep their children from being lost to the streets. Beyond his daily work, John was a relentless advocate for young people and families facing systemic obstacles across education, public safety, and community services.

Even after funding for the Teen Post was eliminated, John continued his mission—often at his expense—supporting a new generation of youth. For many of us, the field trips he organized were our first experiences outside the neighborhood. The homework nights he hosted at Harbor City Recreation Center were the only tutoring we ever received. These are just a few examples of the countless ways John changed lives. His legacy lives on through the stories, memories, and lives he touched.

In recognition of his extraordinary service, the community seeks to honor his memory permanently.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the intersection of 253rd Street and Belle Porte Avenue in Harbor City be designated as "John Northmore Square", and that the Department of Transportation be directed to install permanent ceremonial signage at this location in his honor.

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