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Simie Seaman Square / M Street / Banning Boulevard / Permanent Ceremonial Signage

We The Wilmington neighborhood Council fully support our Councilman with regard to this matter. Simie Seaman has played a pivotal role in the preservation of Wilmington History.

If you ever are in Wilmington, we can safely say that without even knowing it there are things all around you that Simie has had her hands on. Ever been to Banning Park or the Banning Mansion? Simie serves on the Board of Friends of Banning Museum and was the one who had Banning Park designated as a Historic Cultural Monument. Ever driven down Avalon? Simie is responsible for making all those Mexican Fan Palm Trees a Historic-Cultural Monument. Ever been to Victorian Christmas, Banning's Landing, or the Drum Barracks? Have you ever driven down Lakme Ave, Banning Blvd, or Cary Ave? Simie's list of accomplishments here in Wilmington is virtually non exhaustive. Some of her accomplishments include;

Historic Preservation Activities and Accomplishments

- Co-founder of the Wilmington Historical Society served two years as Vice President
- Serving as President of the Wilmington Historical Society now
- Chaired and Co-Chaired seven (7) Home Tours from 1989-2008 Wilmington Historical Society,

- Wilmington Preservation Guild and Los Angeles Conservancy Chair the Banning Park Preservation Committee of the Wilmington Historical Society
- Wrote and promoted the application for designation of Banning Park, Avalon Mexican Fan Palms, and Lakme Avenue Camphor Trees as City of Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monuments
- Co-Author of Arcadia Images of America WILMINGTON
- Collaborated with Councilwoman Janice Hahn, Banning Museum, and City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks in the installment of the historic low voltage lighting and the restoration of the main entry gate and fence in Banning Park
- Lobbied and served on the advisory committee for the security fence around the Banning Residence Museum
- Collaborated with Banning Museum Director Michael Sanborn on the Urban Reforestation Program for Banning Park
- Served on the Prop K (VNOC) for Banning Residence Museum and Drum Barracks Civil War Museum
- Initiated the establishment of the Banning Park Preservation Committee – Vice Chairman
- Developed and coordinated the establishment of the Banning Wrigley Historic District the City of Los Angeles 15th Historic Preservation Overlay Zone - Secretary
- Initiated the restoration and replacement of Banning Wrigley Historic District sidewalks

Community / Leadership

- Lobbied for and served on the board of directors for 8 years with the Port of Los Angeles Wilmington Community Advisory Board (Wilmington Waterfront Development/Banning's Landing Community Center)
- Served on the Wilmington Community Plan steering committee in the 1980s
- Served as Banning's Landing Community Center's first President
- Served on Wilmington Neighborhood Council's first Board of Directors and currently serving
- Founded the Banning Park Neighborhood Association and served as President for five years
- Founded the Wilmington Preservation Guild and served as President for 3 years
- Serving on the Banning Park Safety Committee
- LAPD Community Base Policing involvement 40 years
- LAPD Neighborhood Watch Block Captain 40 years

The very act of us even being able to have a Neighborhood Council write this letter has Simie's hands all over it. Wilmington was the first Neighborhood Council in the city and Simie was on the very first Neighborhood Council Board. She sits on our council to this very day.

Simie is a renowned photographer with her photos published throughout the South Bay. Simie has also published a book called "Images of America Wilmington" along with Jane and Hank Osterhoudt. Simie gives to our community and asks nothing in return.

She has been a resident of Wilmington for close to 50 years, and she has yet to stop giving to our community. Simie loves history and has fought endlessly to preserve the history of Wilmington for future generations to enjoy. Put simply Simie is a force to be reckoned with.

We therefore support our Councilman's motion that the intersection of M Street and Banning Blvd. be designated, dedicated, and named "Simie Seaman Square."

We appreciate our Councilman taking this action as we are well aware that most squares are dedicated "in memoriam" but we feel it is so important that the people who provide an indelible mark on our community be given recognition at a time when they know their works have not been in vain.