

PUBLIC WORKS

# MOTION

James "Jim" McBeth was born on June 3, 1943 and raised in Wolfe City, Texas. Mr. McBeth received his bachelor's degree from Texas College in 1965 and then went on to serve in the Coast Guard for four years before moving to California to attend Pepperdine University in 1972.

After earning his master's degree, Mr. McBeth worked as a pharmaceutical representative for five years before opening a furniture business with his friend John Murrell. Mr. McBeth used his business to develop his surrounding community, growing Hartford Builders as a business that was focused on improving the lives and communities of the region for 40 years.

Through his entrepreneurial success, Mr. McBeth would provide office space for large and small businesses and community development and advocacy. He was known for his compassion and generosity, connecting entrepreneurs, helping other businesses in the Crenshaw Corridor, and advocating for funding and resources to continue to grow and develop his community.

Mr. McBeth was also a member of Founder's Church in Los Angeles, known as an advisor for holistic medicine and wellness within the community, and was an active outdoor enthusiast. More importantly, he was also the father to two daughters, Ashley McBeth and Alison McBeth-Featherstone, who have continued his legacy to improve the communities and people of Los Angeles.

In recognition of Mr. McBeth's life, entrepreneurial legacy, and role in the community, it is appropriate that the City name the intersection of Crenshaw Boulevard and 54<sup>th</sup> Street as "James "Jim" McBeth Square."

I THEREFORE MOVE that the intersection at Crenshaw Boulevard and 54<sup>th</sup> Street be named as "**James "Jim" McBeth Square**" and that the Department of Transportation be directed to erect permanent ceremonial signs to this effect at this location.

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