



SOUTH GATE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

**SOUTH GATE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
8650 CALIFORNIA AVE
SOUTH GATE, CA 90280**

**VIEW MEETING LIVE ONLINE AT:
[HTTPS://YOUTUBE.COM/@SOUTHGATECA90280](https://youtube.com/@SouthGateCA90280)**

City Officials

MAYOR, Gil Hurtado	CITY CLERK, Yodit Glaze
VICE MAYOR, Maria Davila	CITY TREASURER, Jose De La Paz
COUNCIL MEMBER, Maria del Pilar Avalos	CITY MANAGER, Rob Houston
COUNCIL MEMBER, Joshua Barron	CITY ATTORNEY, Raul F. Salinas
COUNCIL MEMBER, Al Rios	

If you would like to participate in this meeting, you can participate via the following options:

1. VIEW THE MEETING ONLINE AT : <https://youtube.com/@SouthGateCA90280>

Please allow up to 24 hours after the meeting for the archive to be available.

2. PARTICIPATE BEFORE THE MEETING by emailing the City Clerk at:
yglaze@sogate.org no later than 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please write "Public Comment" in the subject line.

3. ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON

*The disruption in service of any alternative method does not prelude the City Council or other legislative body from taking further action and moving forward on the agenda.

Meeting Schedule

The regular meetings of the City Council are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, closed session business will usually commence at 5:30 p.m., when scheduled, and general business

session will commence at 6:30 p.m.

Brown Act

Agendas are drafted to accurately state what the legislative body is being asked to consider. The legislative body can take action on "all items" listed on the agenda and be in compliance with the open meeting laws. Under the Brown Act, no action may be taken on a matter unless it is listed on the agenda, or unless certain emergency or special circumstances exist. The governing body may direct staff to investigate and/or schedule certain matters for consideration at a future meeting.

City's Vision Statement

We envision a thriving, safe and inclusive community where everyone has the opportunity to access exceptional services, education and support to be resilient and live full, vibrant lives.

Public Communications

Public Comments on agenda items are limited to three (3) minutes. All comments are to be addressed directly to the Agency Members not to the members of the public.

Call to Order/Roll Call

CALL TO ORDER: Gil Hurtado, Mayor

ROLL CALL: Yodit Glaze, City Clerk

Meeting Compensation Disclosure

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54952.3: Disclosure of compensation for meeting attendance by City Council Members is \$790 monthly regardless of the amount of meetings.

Open Session Agenda

1. Certificates of Appreciation to the participants of the Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay

The City Council will present Certificates of Appreciation to the participants of the Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay. (PD)

Documents:

[Item 1 Report 04092024.pdf](#)

2. Acknowledging of staff efforts made to successfully respond to the City water meter challenge over the last 6 months

The City Council will acknowledge staff efforts made to successfully respond to the City water meter challenge over the last 6 months. (ADMIN SVCS/PW)

3. Proclamation declaring the month of April as Fair Housing Month

The City will issue a Proclamation declaring the month of April 2024. as Fair Housing Month. (CD)

Documents:

[Item 3 Report 04092024.pdf](#)

4. Proclamation declaring the month of April as National DMV/Donate Life

The City Council will issue a Proclamation declaring the month of April 2024, as DMV/Donate Life Month. (CM)

Documents:

[Item 4 Report 04092024.pdf](#)

5. Proclamation declaring April 20, 2024 as the 19th Annual Earth Day Celebration

The City Council will issue a Proclamation declaring the month of April 20, 2024, as the 19th Annual Earth Day Celebration. (PW)

Documents:

[Item 5 Report 04092024.pdf](#)

Closed Session: (ATTY)

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), 54954.9(b)(3)(C)

- a. Maria Guadalupe Morales v. City of South Gate
- b. Ines Lopez v. City of South Gate
- c. In Re Enrique Moreno v. City of South Gate

Documents:

[Closed Session Memorandum 04092024.pdf](#)

Special Meeting Adjournment

I, Yodit Glaze, City Clerk, certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Meeting Agenda was posted on April 4, 2024, at 12:30 p.m., as required by law.

Yodit Glaze
City Clerk

GENERAL NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City Council adopted new rules relating to the conduct of the public meetings, proceedings, and business in the City of South Gate on July 12, 2022, (Resolution 2022-38-CC) and go into effect on August 1, 2022. Resolution #2022-38-CC is available at the City Clerk's Office.

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The Public can sign up to receive automatic notices of postings of agendas for the City Council or any other Commission or Board of the City of South Gate. Visit the City webpage and click on the Agenda & Minutes icon. That will take you the page where an individual can enter their email in the "Email Updates" box to register.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PARTICIPATION

Any person may request to address a legislative body during a public meeting. The Presiding Officer will call upon those present in the Council Chambers first. After all speakers in the Chambers have spoken, the Presiding Officer will call upon those participating via zoom or teleconference.

Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes on any item listed on the agenda, including public hearings. Under Comments from the Audience portion, speakers are also limited to a single three (3) minutes time limit. Comments from the Audience is initially limited to 45 minutes at each meeting. Any speaker still wishing to speak, that did not speak, will have an addition Comments from the Audience opportunity after the last business item is finished. The Presiding Officer may extend the time limit as long as there is no objection from the City Council as a body.

To ensure that the public is able to participate, the City provides the opportunity to submit their comments in person, virtually, email, phone call, mail and any other method which may become available. Methods of participation may be subject to change during other such times when a State of Emergency, Health Order or State Executive Order limits in-person participation.

CURFEW

In absence of a motion duly adopted by majority vote of the City Council, the Presiding Officer may adjourn the City Council meetings at 10:30 p.m. The Presiding Officer may ask the City Council if any agenda items listed should be continued or dealt with during the meeting. For those items to be continued, the City Council can direct the item be placed on the next City Council agenda or the current meeting may be adjourned to a time certain at which time the meeting shall be reconvened as an Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council and action upon the published agenda continued.

STAFF REPORTS

As a general rule, staff reports. or other written documentation are prepared/organized with respect to each item of business listed on the agenda. Meeting agendas and staff reports are available at least 72-hours prior to the scheduled regular City Council meeting and a minimum of 24-hours prior to a Special City Council meeting. There are times when the City Council receives written material. revised material after the posting of agendas, these materials are become a public record and will be available for public view within 72-hours after the meeting in which they were received. Those materials and any other public

document can be inspected in the City Clerk's Office located at 8650 California Avenue, South Gate.

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Sgt. Aloysius Peterson

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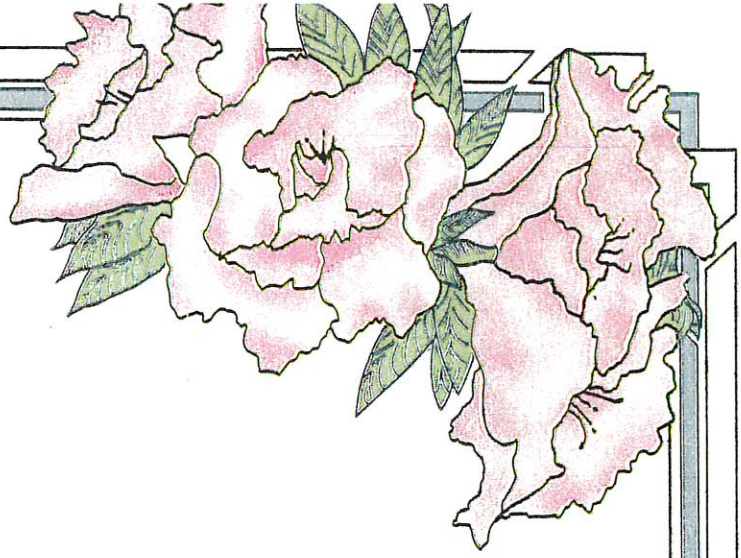
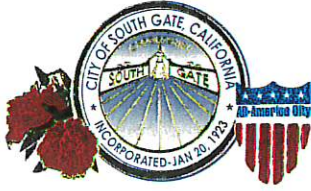
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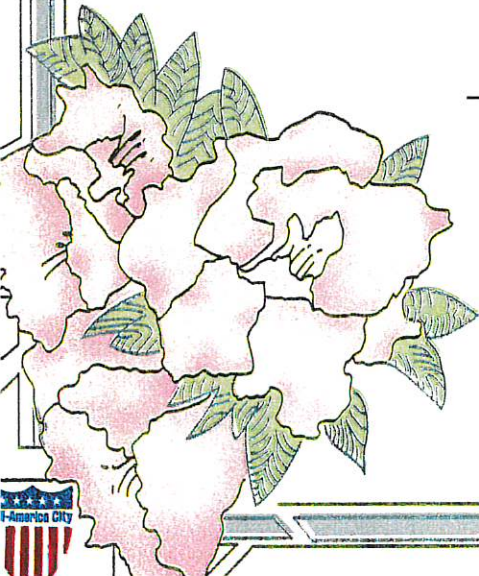
Chief Darren Arakawa

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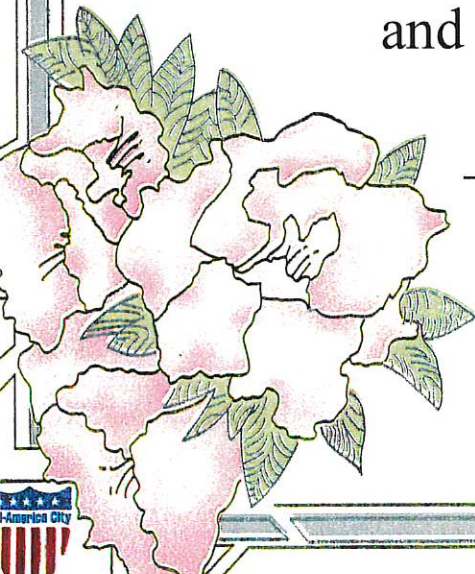
Lorena Gutierrez
Dispatcher

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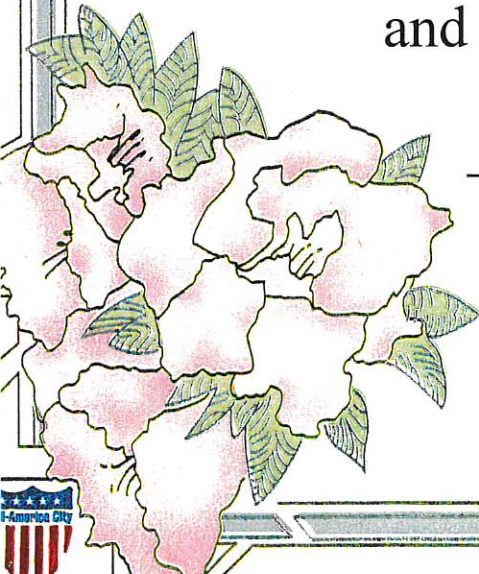
Jesus Osorio
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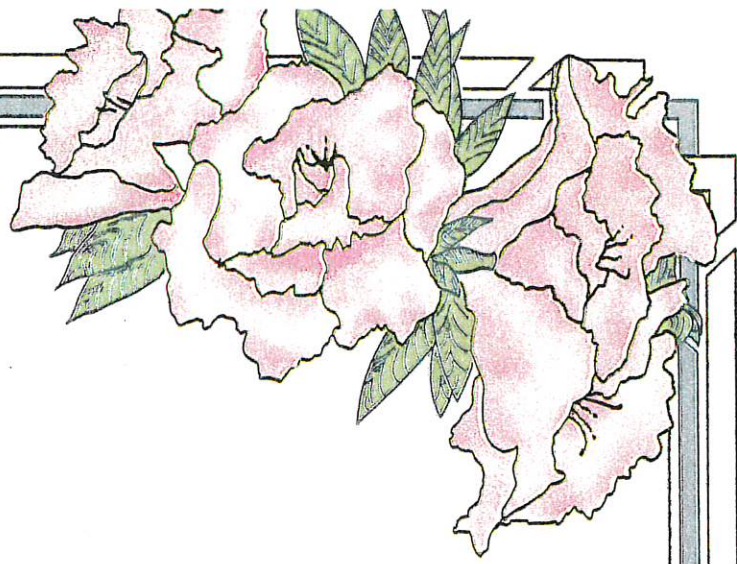
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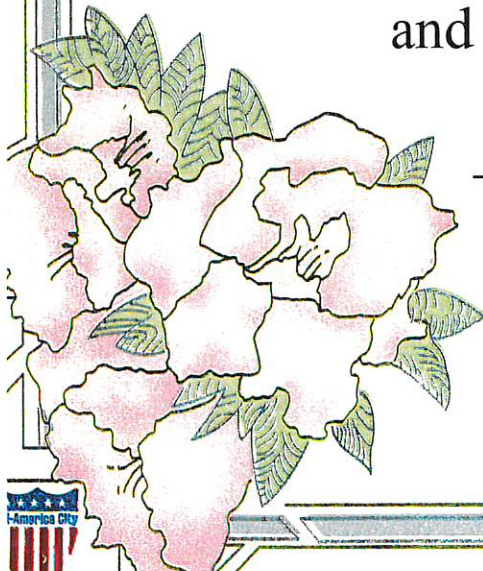
Keith Schwartzman
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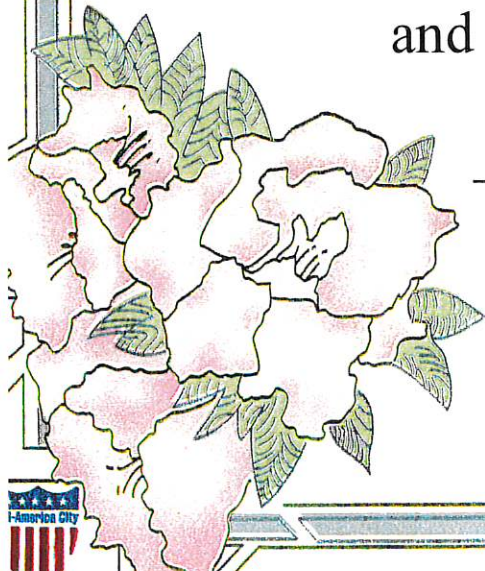
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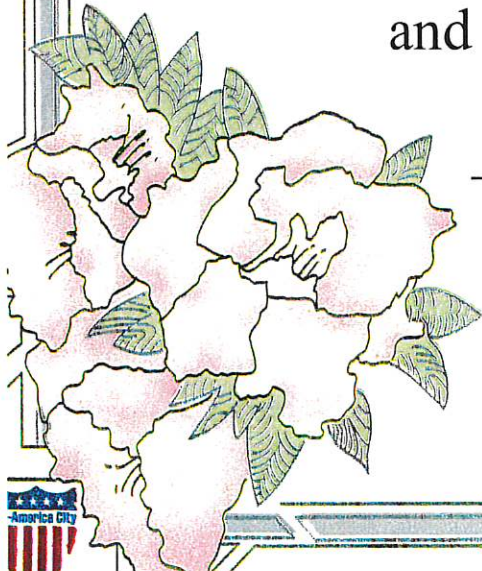
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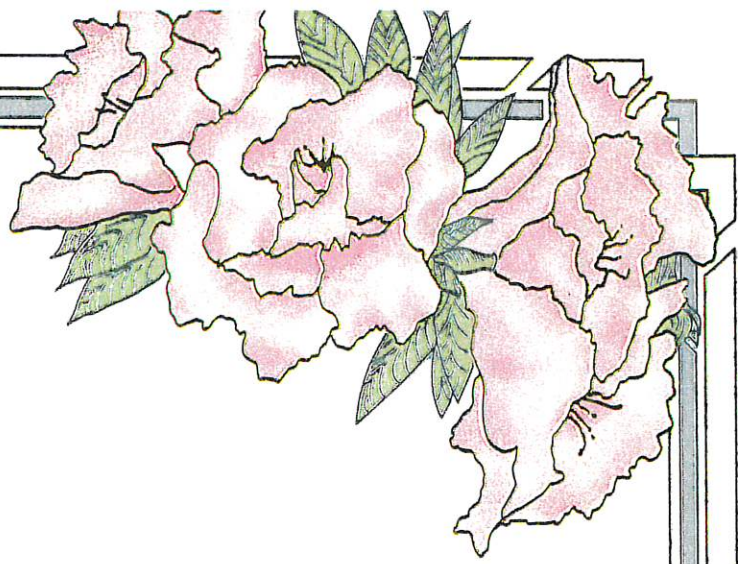
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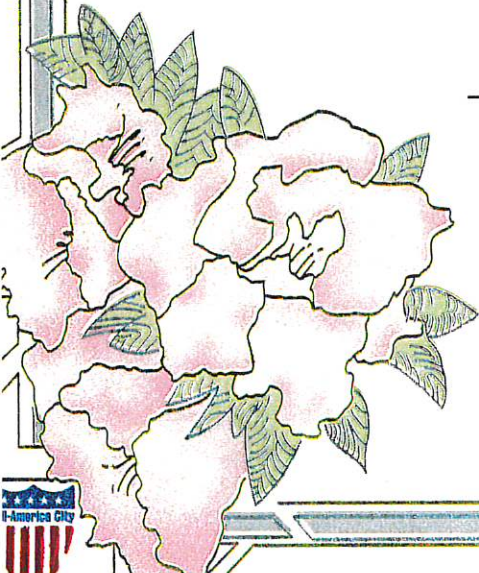
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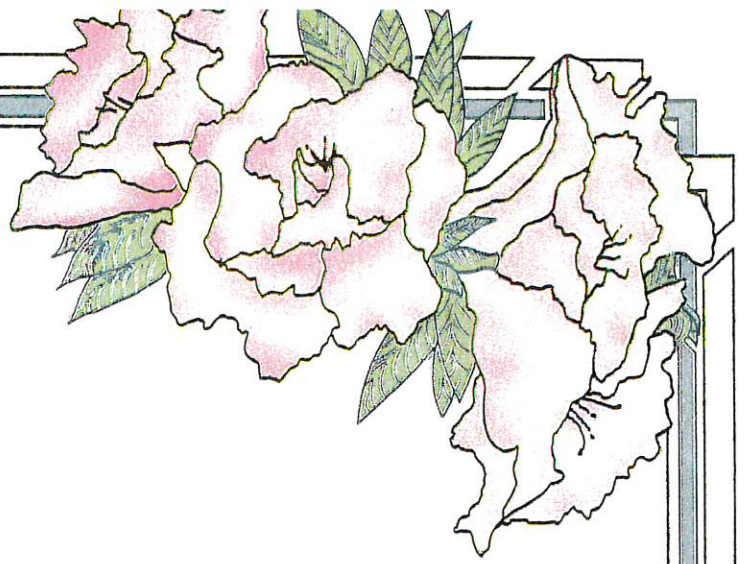
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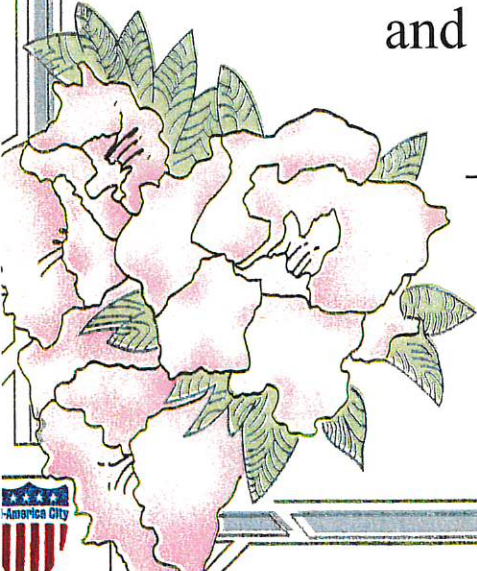
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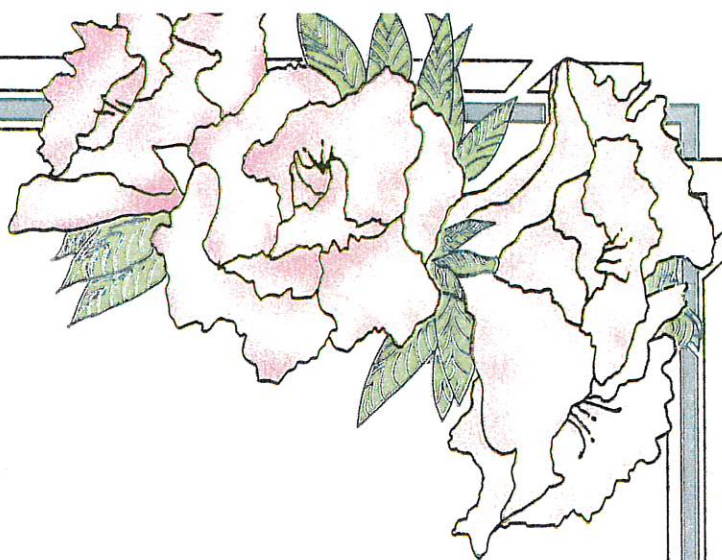
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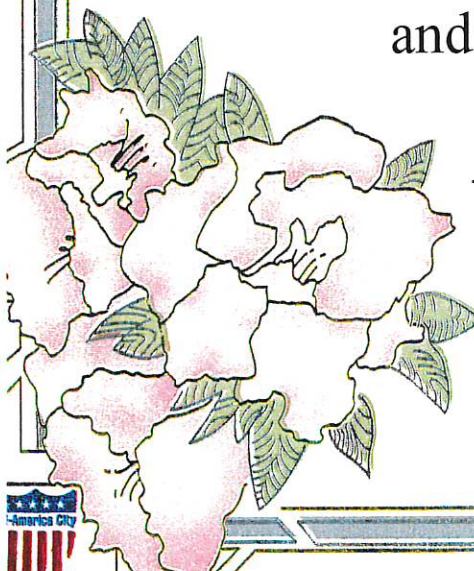
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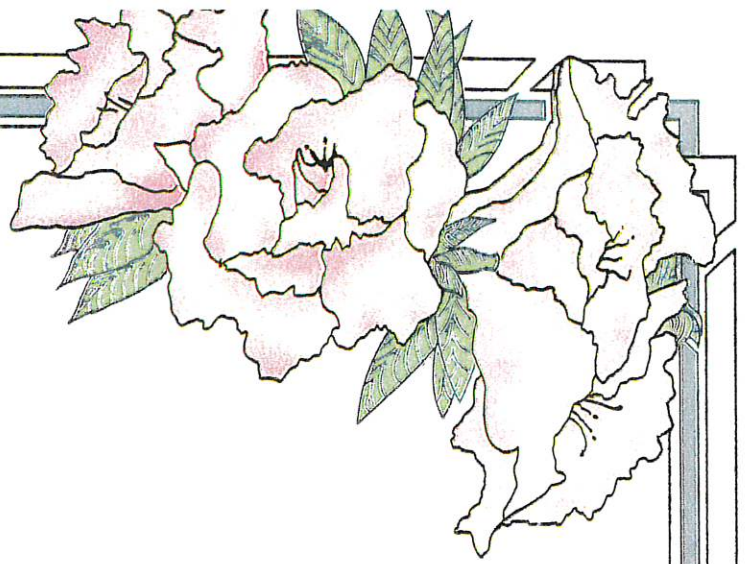
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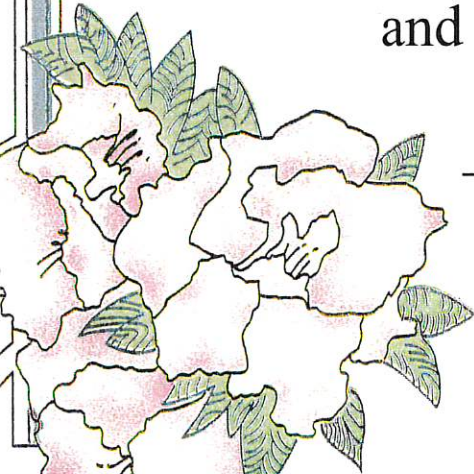
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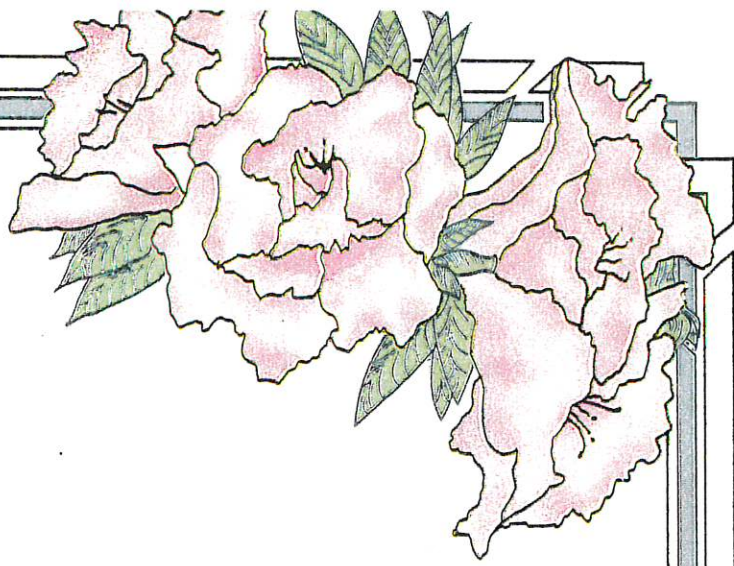
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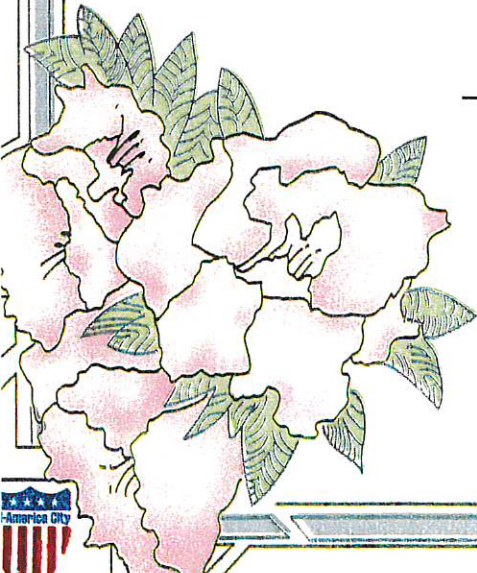
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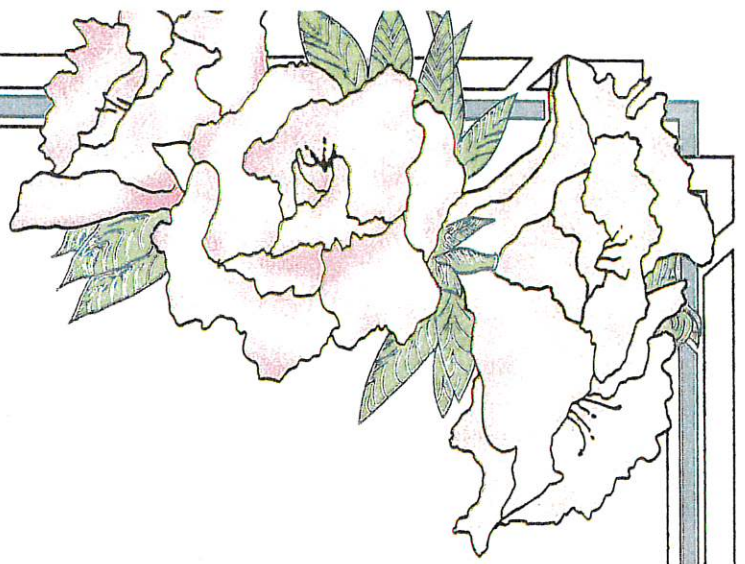
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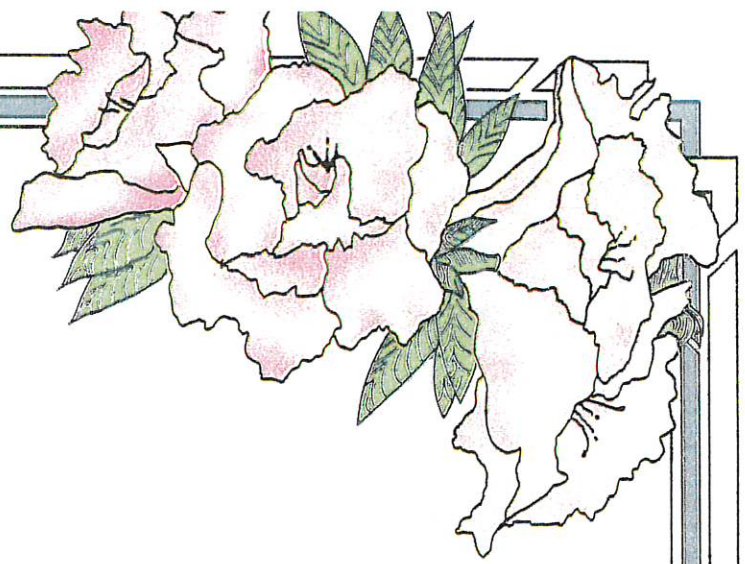
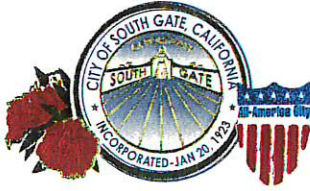
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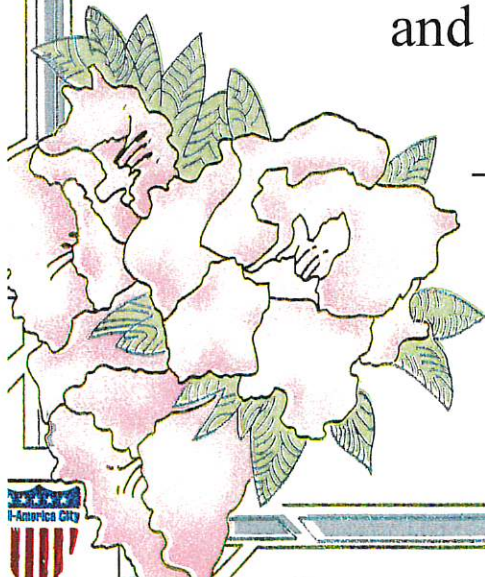
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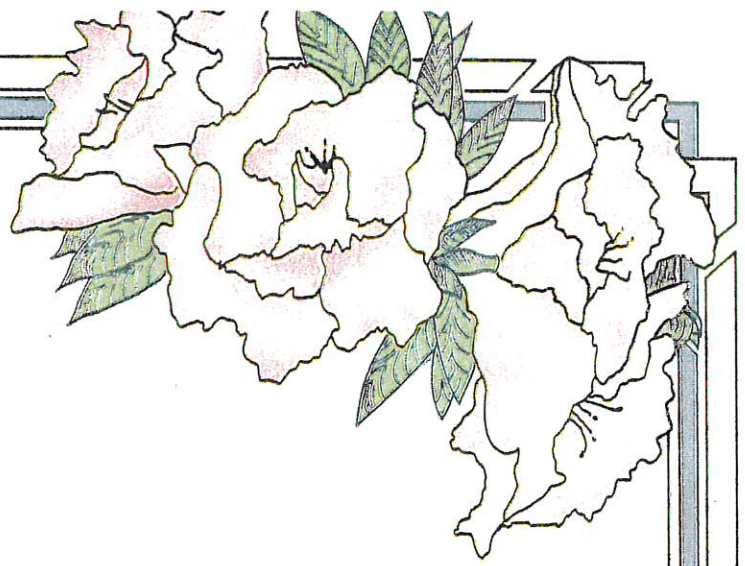
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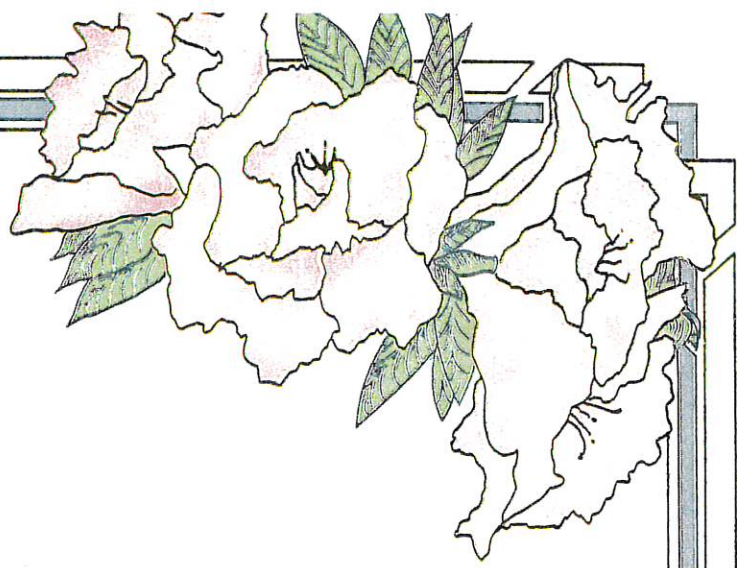
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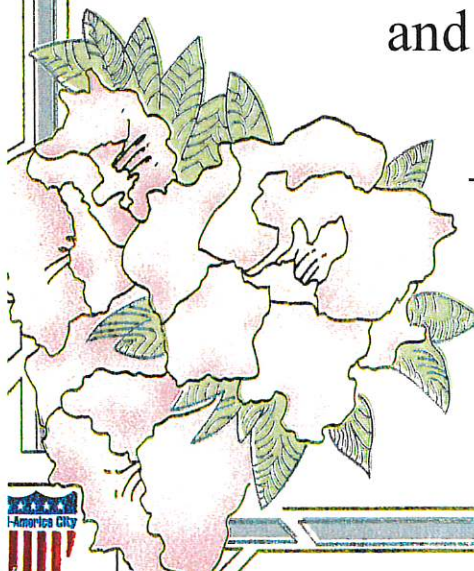
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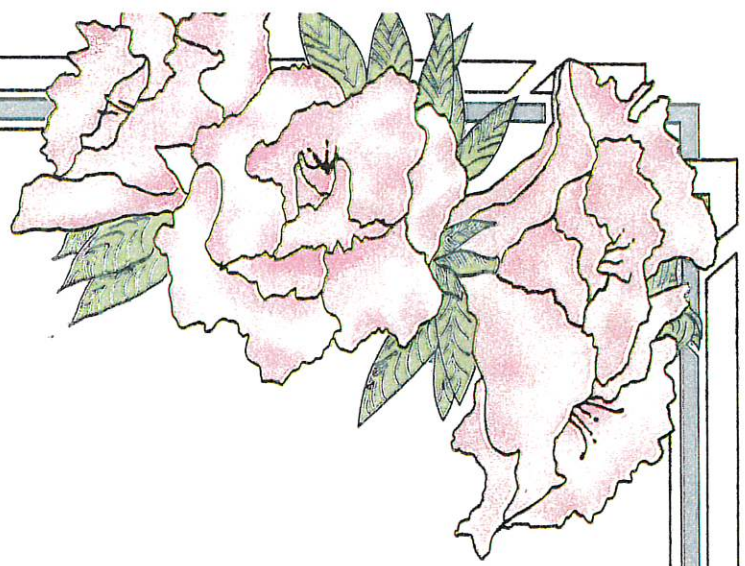
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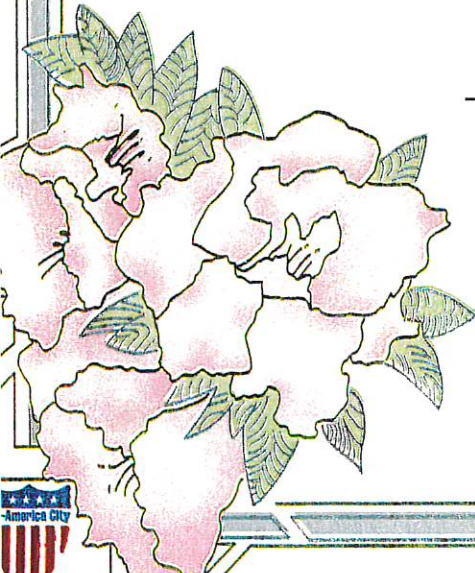
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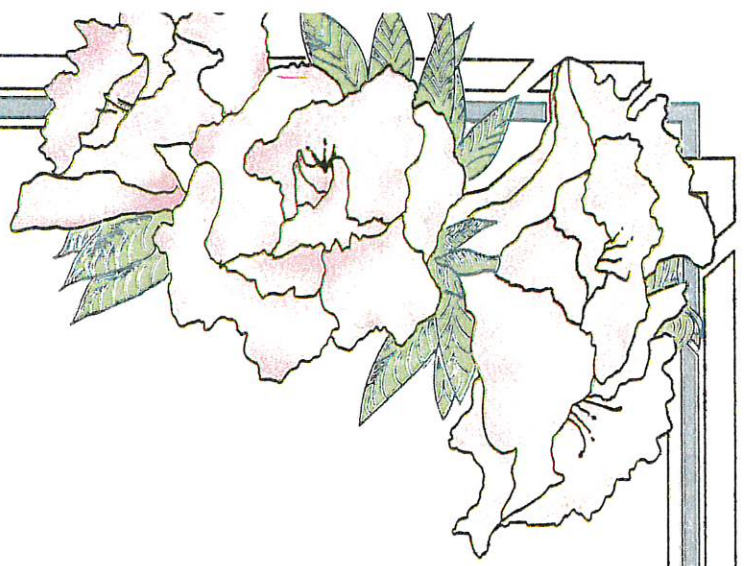
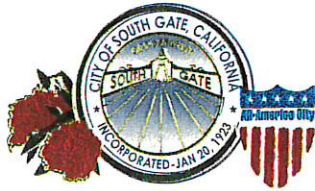
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Erik Alvarado
Police Officer

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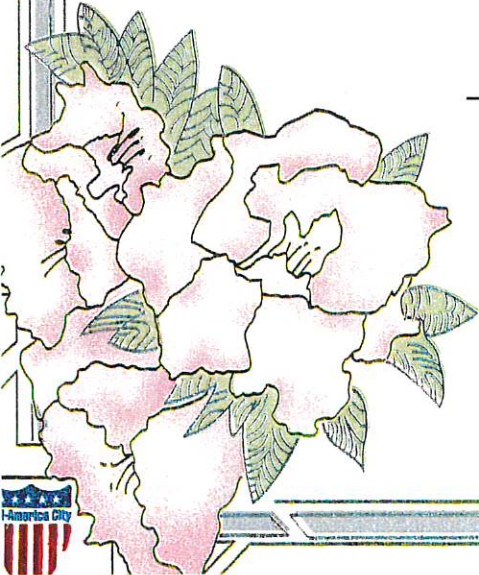
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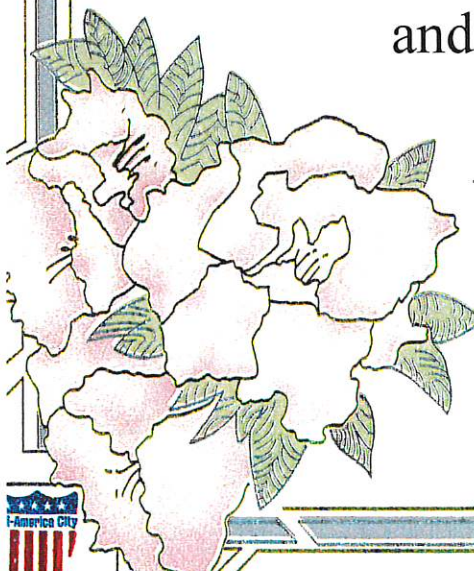
Victoria Lopez
Police Officer

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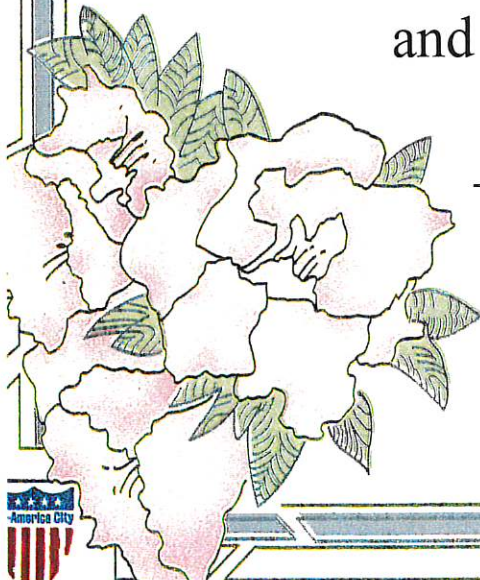
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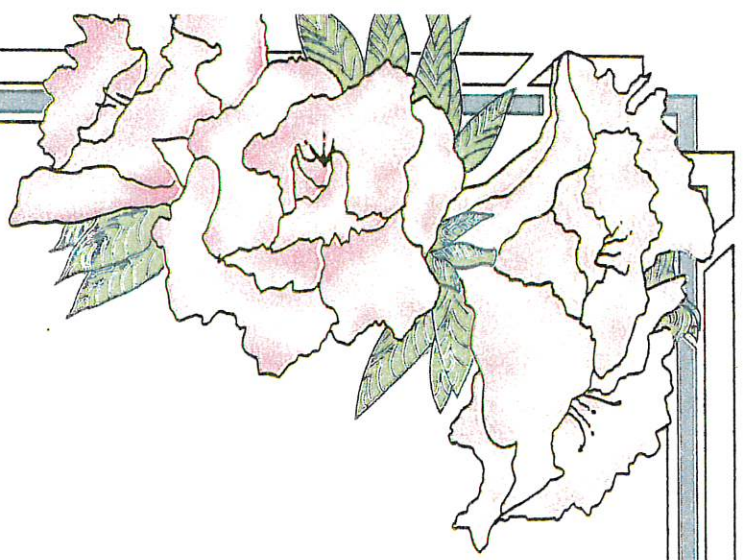
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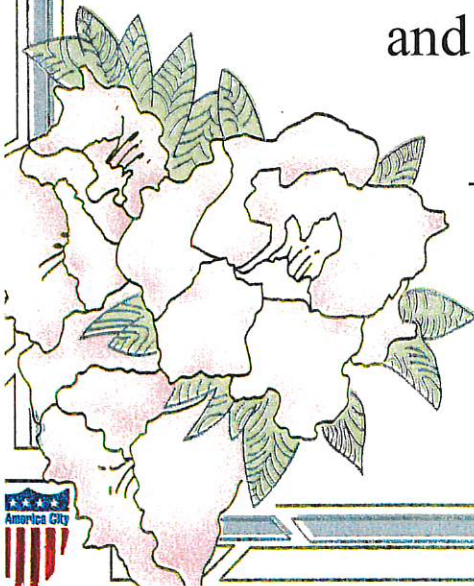
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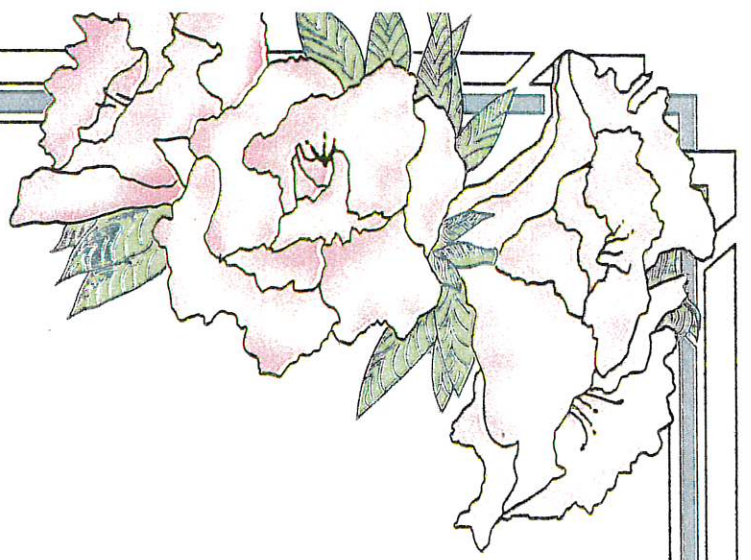
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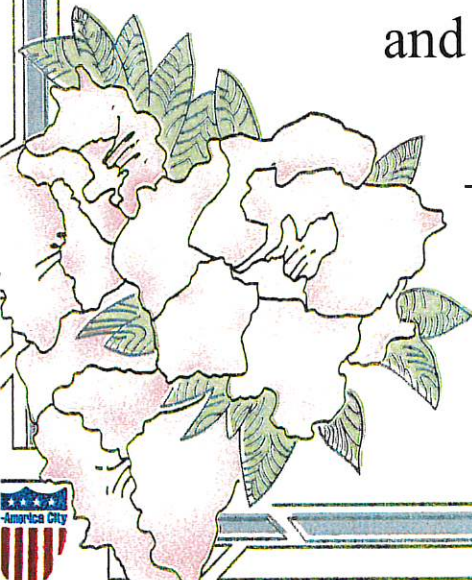
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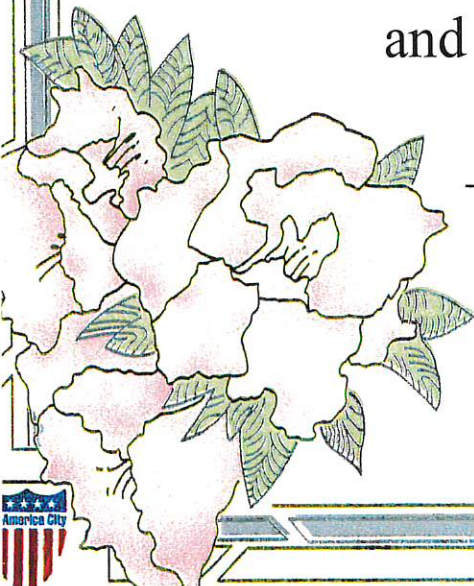
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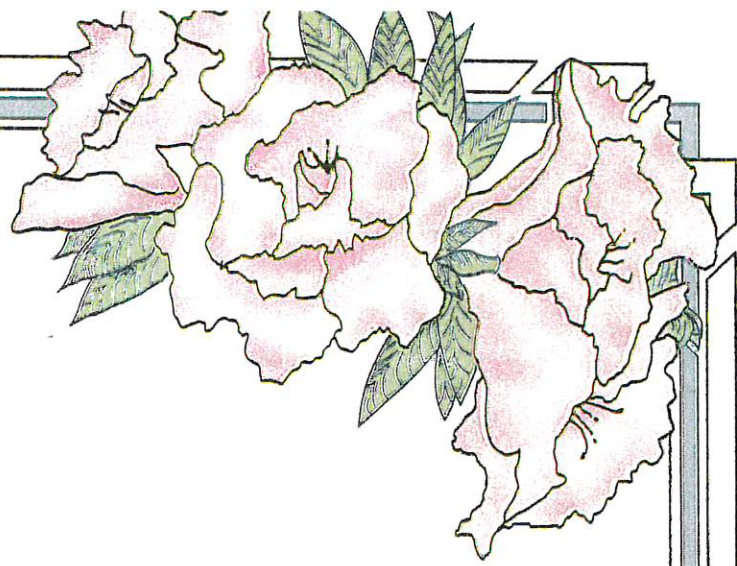
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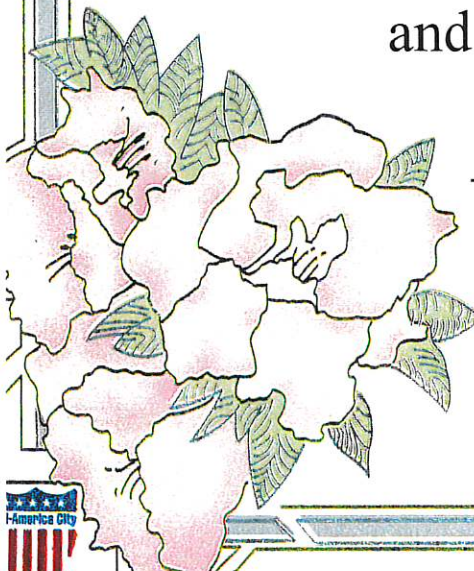
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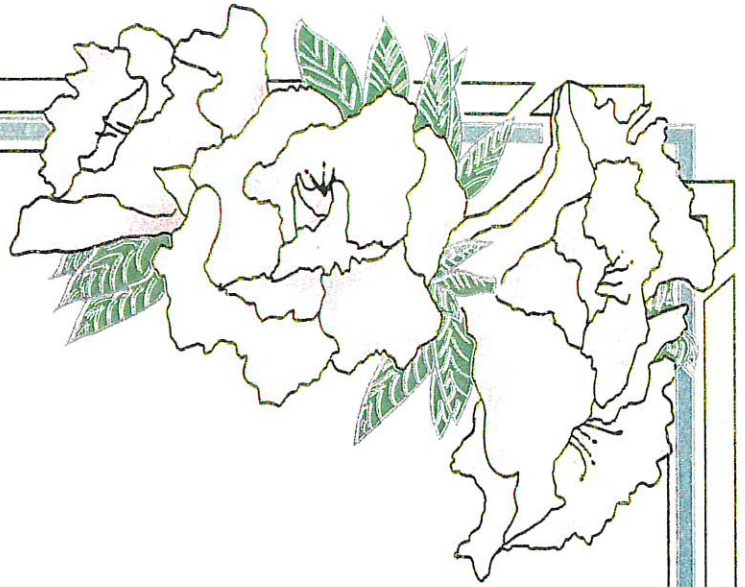
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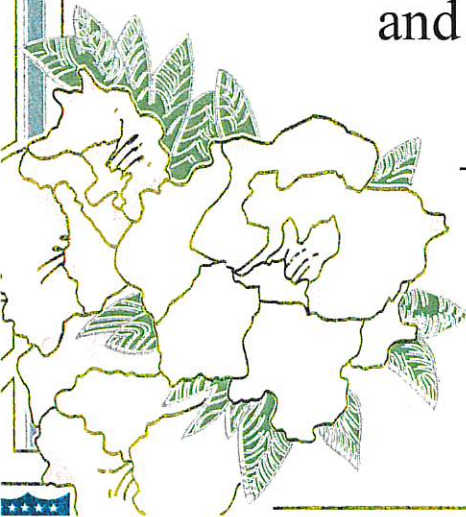
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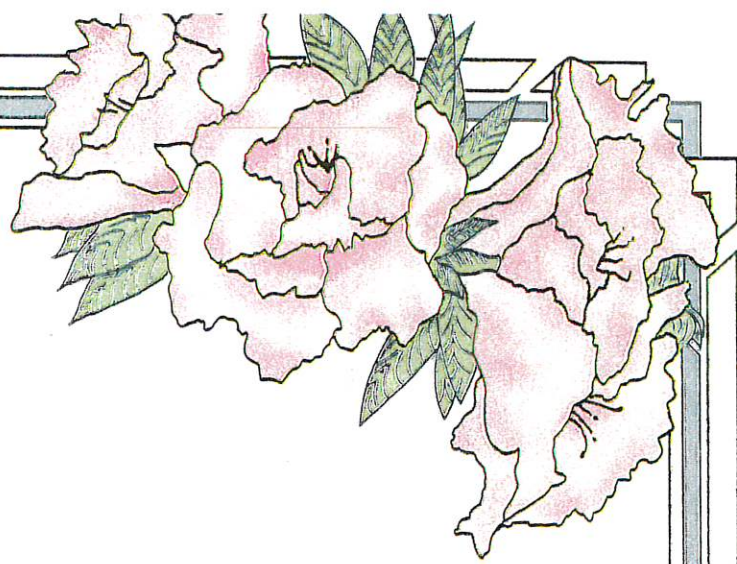
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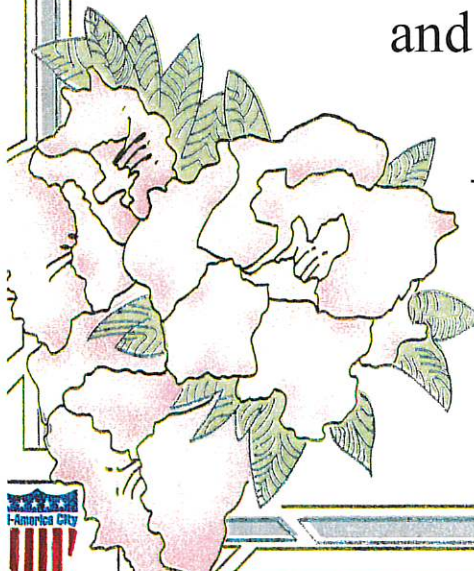
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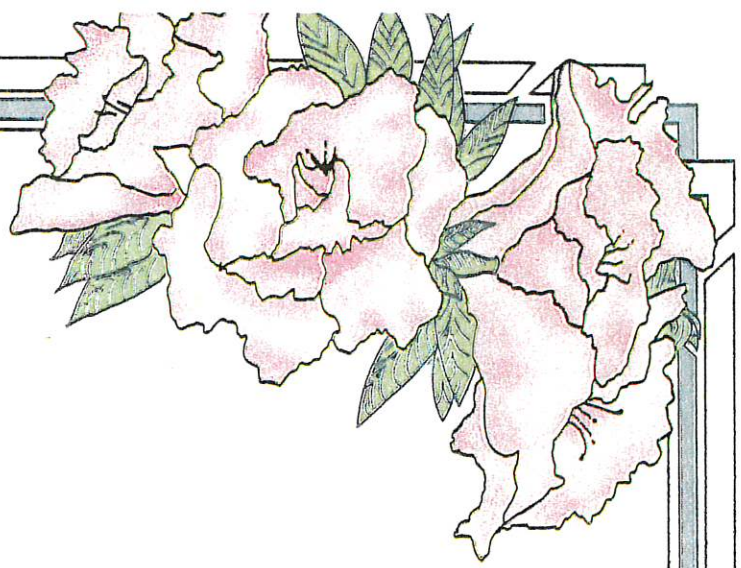
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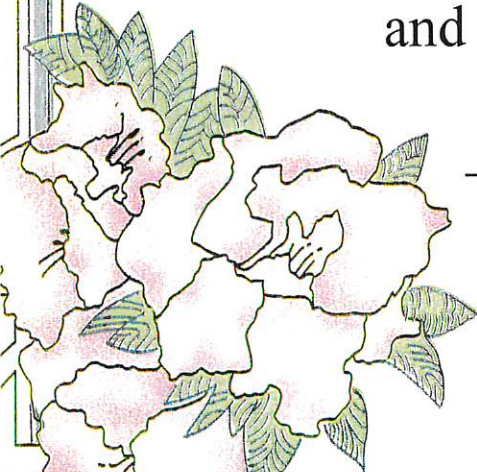
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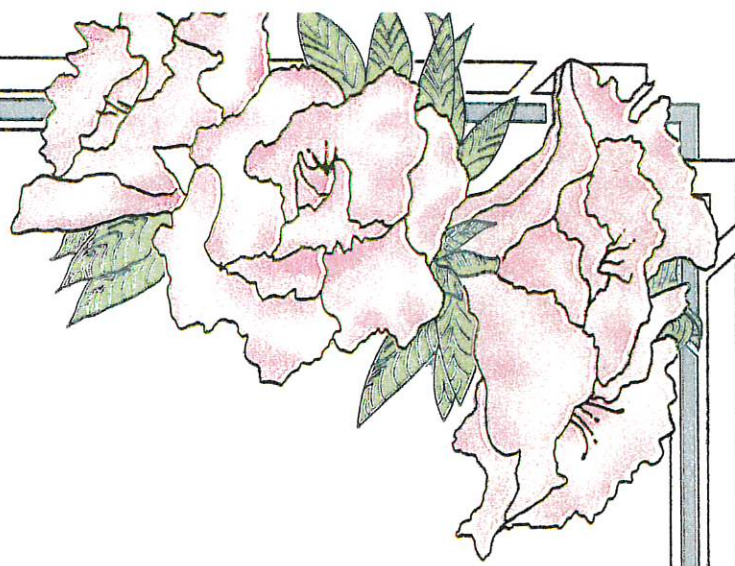
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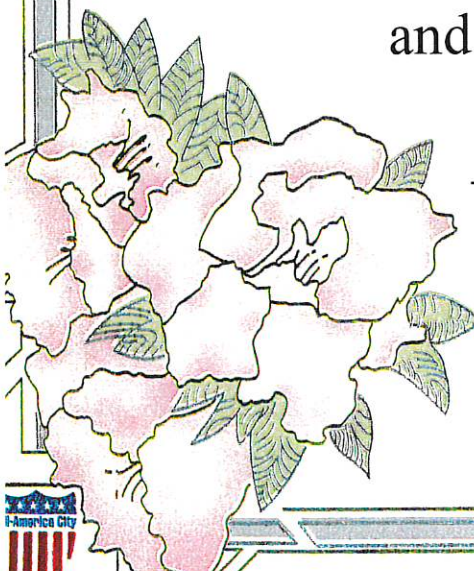
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P R O C L A M A T I O N

Declaring Fair Housing Month April 2024

- WHEREAS,** one of the greatest freedoms enjoyed by Americans is the freedom to live in a home of one's choice;
- WHEREAS,** this promise made to us by the Nation's Fair Housing Law which requires that all people be treated equally in connection with sale or rental of housing regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, age, familial status or religion;
- WHEREAS,** this year marks the 56th anniversary of the Federal Fair Housing Act, the original legislation targeting the elimination of housing discrimination in America;
- WHEREAS,** since the adoption of the fair housing legislation in April 1968, April has been designated Fair Housing Month during which each year the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Fair Housing Foundation organize events and activities to focus attention on the issue of equal opportunity for housing; and
- WHEREAS,** during the month of April and in celebration of Fair Housing Month, each resident of the City of South Gate is beseeched to support efforts to put into practice the principles of freedom, justice and equality upon which this great nation was founded.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed on this 9th day of April 2024, that **I, Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate,** on behalf of the City Council and citizens of South Gate, do hereby proclaim the month of April as Fair Housing Month and encourage all residents to support fair housing laws and focus attention on the issue of equal opportunity for housing.

Gil Hurtado, Mayor

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PROCLAMATION

Declaring
DMV/Donate Life Month
April 2024

- WHEREAS,** organ, eye, tissue, marrow, and blood donation are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need;
- WHEREAS,** during National DMV/ Donate Life Month, we celebrate the selfless organ donors across our country who have save countless lives;
- WHEREAS,** we honor the families and friends of donors who have supported their loved ones, and we recognize the professionals devoted to the transplant community;
- WHEREAS,** there is a great need for organ transplants as there is more than 100,000 individuals nationwide and more than 20,000 in California currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and on average, 17 people die each day while waiting;
- WHEREAS,** the need for donated organs is especially urgent in Hispanic, Latino, and African American communities;
- WHEREAS,** a single individual's donation can save up to eight lives and a donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of more than 75 individuals;
- WHEREAS,** any person can register to be an organ, eye, and tissue donor regardless of age or medical conditions and being a registered donor does not impact the quality of life-saving medical care a person receives in an emergency;
- WHEREAS,** California residents can sign up with the Donate Life California Donor Registry online at www.donateLIFecalifornia.org;
- WHEREAS,** individuals can sign up to be organ, eye and tissue donors when applying for or renewing their Driver's Licenses or ID cards at the California Department of Motor Vehicles; and
- WHEREAS,** individuals interested in saving a life through living kidney donations may visit www.LivingDonationCalifornia.org.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed on this 9th day of April 2024 that I, **Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate**, on behalf of the City Council and citizens of South Gate, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2024, as DMV/Donate Life Month in the City of South Gate and encourage everyone to check "YES!" online, or when applying for or renewing their Driver's License or Identification Card at the DMV.

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PROCLAMATION

Declaring
19th Annual Earth Day Celebration
April 20, 2024

WHEREAS, the first national Earth Day was observed on April 22, 1970 to bring awareness to the environmental health of our planet with activities designed to educate citizens about the Earth and threats to its environment;

WHEREAS, the City will observe and celebrate the 19th Annual Earth Day on April 20, 2024 at South Gate Park by hosting graffiti removal, litter cleanup and tree planting activities and educational workshops;

WHEREAS, the City is inviting and encouraging all citizens, businesses, schools, and organizations to participate in the Earth Day festivities; and

WHEREAS, education and awareness of environmental sound practices will create a community that thinks and acts as a responsible trustee of our planet Earth.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed on this 9th day of April 2024, that **I, Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate,** on behalf of the City Council and citizens of South Gate, do hereby proclaim April 20, 2024, as the 19th Annual Earth Day Celebration and duly advocate for the community to be active in the preservation of our planet, practice good environmental health habits and encourage everyone to participate in Earth Day activities.

Gil Hurtado, Mayor

MEMORANDUM

APR 03 2024

TO: Rob Houston, City Manager

FROM: Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney 

DATE: April 3, 2024

SUBJECT: **CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 9, 2024**

The following items should be listed on the Closed Session Agenda for the Special City Council Meeting of the City of South Gate on April 9, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION**
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), 54954.9(b)(3)(C)
 - a. Maria Guadalupe Morales v. City of South Gate
 - b. Ines Lopez v. City of South Gate
 - c. In Re Enrique Moreno v. City of South Gate

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office immediately.