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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

A family has been found in Kurdish Turkey whose members walk on all fours, use the palms of their hands for balance, and stand upright only with difficulty, according to researchers who filmed the family for a March British television show. According to Professor Nicholas Humphrey of the London School of Economics, scientists' best guess for the family's condition is that their inbreeding caused the reprice of genetic traits long thought to have been evolutionarily passed over.

TODAY IN HISTORY
Today is the 114th day of 2006.
There are 251 days left in the year.

■ On April 24, 1916, some 1,600 Irish nationalists launched the Easter Rising by seizing several key sites in Dublin. (The rising was put down by British forces several days later.)
■ In 1800, Congress approved a bill establishing the Library of Congress.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Never practice what you preach.
If you're going to practice it,
why preach it?"

LINCOLN STEFFENS
AMERICAN JOURNALIST-REFORMER

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Rain, rain goes away



David Dade, 6, sprays water onto the 'Watershed Diorama' on Saturday at the Santa Monica Pier Aquarium, as part of the Earth Day-Ocean Pollution Workshop. The diorama, which was custom made for Heal the Bay by Andrew C. Aguilar, is designed for pollution education and to illustrate stormwater runoff. Dade gives it a spritz under the watchful eyes of Vicki Wawerchak, the aquarium's director, and Heal the Bay volunteer David Lloyd.

Deconstructing fall of the mall

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — Members of the Santa Monica Coalition for a Livable City will have their hands full this week as they review more than 6,500 pages of internal communications between city staff,

elected officials and the owners of Santa Monica Place.

The coalition, which sued City Hall for scores of e-mails, traffic studies and other documents relating to the redevelopment of the mall, is trying to determine how a simple facelift for the aging facility turned into a multi-million dollar redevelopment

ment project — complete with three 21-story residential towers, an eight-story office building and an eight-story apartment building. Those buildings were to be built on top of a new outdoor mall, which developers described as a natural extension of

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COMMUNITY PROFILES |

COMMUNITY PROFILES IS A WEEKLY SERIES THAT APPEARS EACH MONDAY AND DELVES INTO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY IN SANTA MONICA.



Just doing the best he can

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

11TH STREET — Jerry Washington is a product of his environment.

And he hopes that by re-creating that environment for hundreds of other kids, they and their communities will be the better for it.

As director of youth services and volunteers at the Santa Monica Red Cross chapter, Washington mentors and guides hundreds of

kids through their formative years. What he hopes they get out of it is the value of volunteerism and feeling as though they are contributing members of society.

Growing up with an activist mother who operated a youth center in his hometown of Waterbury, Conn., Washington never knew anything other than community service. He worked at the youth center as a teenager and helped

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Taking it back to the streets

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE — It's back to basics for a group of residents who plan to resurrect a grassroots level of neighborhood activism that decades ago influenced much of how Santa Monica was governed.

And it appears that the City Council is behind them — \$20,000 has been set aside in City Hall's budget to help bolster the resident contingency.

The Neighborhood Council, whose members represent several neighborhood groups in the city, have been meeting regularly since March to determine how to make the most of its money. The latest idea is a web-based portal in which all residents would be able to communicate with each other on issues important to them.

The platform would have discussion boards, forums and other tools on the Web site designed to enable neighbors to communicate with each other on any issue — be it to inform one another of a recent burglary in the neighborhood or a trash problem in the alley. Larger issues of development, land use and city policies also could be debated.

The idea is to have one resident represent each of the city's 67 voting precincts, helping to steward community involvement. About two-thirds of all the precincts so far have representation, organizers said.

"The idea is we want people to participate and create unity and resolve issues together," said Arlene Hopkins, chair of the Neighborhood Council.

Many community activists believe that residents have become isolated and the level of activism has waned in recent years. It's a

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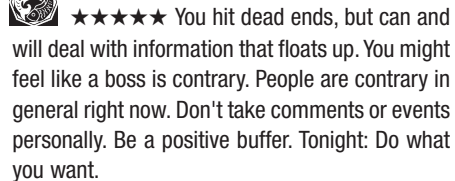
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MYSTERY PHOTO



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MYSTERY PHOTO WINNER



Nancy Himmelfarb is last week's mystery photo winner. Himmelfarb accurately described that this photo was taken at John Muir School/SMASH. Himmelfarb has won a free T-shirt. Check out today's edition for this week's mystery photo contest.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

'Slug's life' to be discussed at SMC

By Daily Press staff

How slugs consummate is sure to be a sticky topic held at Santa Monica College. "A Slug's Life: Sex, Habitat Choice and Speciation in the Sea" will be the topic of a free lecture at 11:15 a.m. Thursday, May 4, in science lecture Hall 145 at Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Blvd.



Dr. Patrick J. Krug will talk about sea slugs in Santa Monica College's next Distinguished Scientists Lecture.

The talk, which will be the last in SMC's Spring 2006 "Distinguished Scientists Lecture Series," is to be presented by Dr. Patrick J. Krug, assistant professor of biology at California State University at Los Angeles.

Krug will cover "desperate larvae, frustrated virgins and inappropriate sex between species" in the context of the life history of the sea slug.

Krug is a marine biologist who has received several prestigious research grants, has published numerous papers and has presented at seminars and symposia throughout the world.

The Distinguished Scientist Lecture Series is sponsored by the SMC Associates, a private organization that funds speakers and special events on campus.

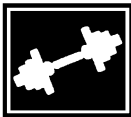
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0"	12" - 36"	8:30 AM - 4:00 PM	27	7/12

CONDITIONS: MACHINE GROOMED, HARD PACKED, SPRING, VARIABLE

JUNE MOUNTAIN

CLOSED

MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN

NEW SNOW (24 Hrs)	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
1"	192" - 216"	8:30 AM - 4:00 PM	150	26/28

CONDITIONS: POWDER, PACKED POWDER, MACHINE GROOMED

MOUNTAIN HIGH

NEW SNOW (24 Hrs)	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
0"	12" - 24"	8:30 AM - 4:00 PM	13	4/16

CONDITIONS: SPRING

MT. BALDY

NEW SNOW (24 Hrs)	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
0"	15" - 32"	8:00 AM - 4:30 PM	20	3/4

CONDITIONS: MACHINE GROOMED, SPRING

SNOW SUMMIT

NEW SNOW (24 Hrs)	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
0"	12" - 36"	8:00 AM - 4:30 PM	26	10/14

CONDITIONS: MACHINE GROOMED, HARD PACKED, SPRING

SNOW VALLEY

NEW SNOW (24 Hrs)	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
2"	12" - 36"	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	14	3/11

CONDITIONS: POWDER, PACKED POWDER, MACHINE GROOMED

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SATURDAY

LOW TIDE	N/A	N/A	12:21PM	-0.3FT
HIGH TIDE	5:06AM	4:68FT	7:08PM	4.2FT

SUNDAY

LOW TIDE	12:32AM	1.9FT	1:03PM	-0.3FT
HIGH TIDE	6:19PM	4.8FT	7:34PM	4.8FT

MONDAY

LOW TIDE	1:26AM	1.1FT	1:40PM	-0.2FT
HIGH TIDE	7:21AM	4.9FT	8:02PM	5.3FT

TUESDAY

LOW TIDE	2:15AM	0.2FT	2:51PM	0.1FT
HIGH TIDE	8:16AM	4.9FT	8:32PM	5.9FT

WEDNESDAY

LOW TIDE	3:01AM	-0.5FT	2:49PM	0.5FT
HIGH TIDE	9:08AM	4.7FT	9:03PM	6.3FT

THURSDAY

LOW TIDE	3:47AM	1.0FT	3:21PM	0.9FT
HIGH TIDE	10:00AM	4.4FT	9:36PM	6.4FT

FRIDAY

LOW TIDE	4:33AM	-1.2FT	3:54PM	1.4FT
HIGH TIDE	10:53AM	4.0FT	N/A	N/A

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OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Iran's leader wants worldwide chaos

Editor:

We have difficulty understanding the mentality of Iran's newest ruler. Then again, we don't understand the mentality of those who flew into the World Trade Center or the mobs who chant "Death to America."

It's not just that Iran's ruler denies the Holocaust and has called for the destruction of Israel, it's that he is a believer in the imminent appearance of the 12th Imam.

He has said that the end of history is only two or three years away, that the Islamic Revolution is to prepare for the messianic redemption, which he believes it to be preceded by worldwide upheaval and chaos.

How better to light the fuse of eternal bliss than with a nuclear flame?

A fanatic infatuated with the next world has nothing to lose by destroying this one. Unfortunately, the cost to stop this fanatic will be very grave both economically and in terms of loss of life, but what choice do we have if Iran refuses to stop the enrichment of uranium?

Fred Alexander
Santa Monica

Security guard wanted in Ocean Park

Editor:

The Ocean Park Association is grateful for the rotating security presence provided at our branch library in the wake of the alarming attack on librarian Celia Carroll last month.

However, due to our library's close proximity to the beach and its transient population, we believe its security needs are greater than those of all other branches save for the new Main Library. Anecdotal reports suggest that patrons of the Ocean Park Library, particularly children, are being increasingly intimidated in recent years by our street population.

In addition, OPA feels that it's inappropriate to require library staff, who are not hired or trained for security, to police the facility given the population frequently using this facility. That is a job for a professional security guard.

Consequently, we urge you to retain a full-time security guard dedicated solely to the protection of the patrons and staff of the Ocean Park Library during all of its hours of operation.

Ocean Park Association
Santa Monica

Defense secretary falls from military grace

Editor:

Like a taciturn 19th Century shopkeeper, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld brought a shrill two-fisted mentality to managing the Pentagon.

His hyper-thrifty philosophy of trying to win the Iraq War on the cheap became more important than actually winning.

Delighting in front of the camera at the presentation of his own simplistic theories, he seems at times more interested in proving himself right than in dealing with battlefield realities.

Lack of investment on the front end has cost the Pentagon and the American taxpayer dearly on the backside. The art of war that has been taught to future generals at West Point from the beginning is easily tossed aside after being branded as "irrelevant" by the dismissive Rumsfeld.

His empty repetition of self-serving platitudes when confronted by the media about present conditions in Iraq is intellectually dishonest and morally reprehensible.

He obviously sees himself as a superior being who needs no consul. In Rumsfeld's view, no one seems to "get it" except for he and President Bush. Future historians probably will get it because a failure in Iraq will mean professional failure for Rumsfeld and it will also mean a failed presidency for George Bush.

Rumsfeld's learning curve does not show much improvement over time, nor does the president's.

Rumsfeld must go because he has made himself too much a part of pseudo military theory that just isn't working. Wars are won by pouring on the money, not by withholding it. That's how Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses S. Grant won the Civil War, and that's how Franklin D. Roosevelt won World War II.

An easy victory and successful post-war phase in Iraq has been ruined by Rumsfeld and George Bush.

Ken C. Arnold
Santa Monica

Santa Monica needs to get its garbage in order



MY WRITE
BY BILL BAUER

Paid by City Hall, consultants Gershman, Brickner and Bratton, Inc., recently presented their strategic review of the city's solid waste management system — it's a lot of confusing information about trash.

The latest in a series of unaudited reports, the review is produced internally and externally over the years, detailing how City Hall handles water, garbage, sewage and storm water runoff — all under the department of environmental and public works.

The review echoed past reports by confirming City Hall's solid waste services were not performing up to optimum level, that the transfer facility was losing \$939,000 annually and that single and multi-family residential rates were much higher than commercial rates.

Last June, the City Council approved an incremental series of rate increases which immediately hiked water and trash rates an average of 10 percent. The City Council on Tuesday night will consider further rate increases ranging from 5 percent to 10 percent annually.

The consultant reports that Santa Monica single-family homes already pay \$372 annually for basic weekly curbside refuse and recycling services. Those services could cost homeowners more than \$444 by 2008, based on increases recommended by staff last June. Refuse service for single-family properties in Pasadena is \$352 annually; Culver City \$266; Los Angeles \$132 and Glendale \$190.

According to the consultant's report, in 2004-05, for one 95-gallon cart collected once per week, single-family customers pay \$62 bi-monthly, multi-family customers pay \$50 and commercial customers pay \$37. Residential customers must use city services. Commercial businesses can hire private firms, which keeps city fees competitive in the business sector.

When it comes to 68-gallon carts, single-family property owners pay \$16.58 per cubic yard of refuse per month while commercial customers pay \$8.86, or almost half of what single-family homeowners pay. Multi-family property owners pay \$13.12. Even so, the consultant reports that the cost of service to single-family and commercial clients and the cost of transfer and disposal operations are not recovered. Multi-family trash service does produce net revenue.

City Hall claims it does a better job of recycling, green waste collection, street sweeping — a separate fee in many cities — and food waste collection, so that's why

we pay more.

I noted previously (SMDP, June 13, 2005, page 4), that the present city yard is an environmental nightmare. There's no roof or misting system to keep dust down. Toxic water and corrosive liquids still pour into the storm drain and into the bay untreated.

Last May, city staff told the council that City Hall's solid waste fund, created to pay for facility upgrades and replacements, has instead been squandered to cover the department's operational deficit. In just three years, a surplus of \$1.5 million became a deficit of \$1.2 million — and it's growing by the day. Even more rate increases will be required to cover the deficit, let alone pay for a new facility costing between \$12 million and \$15 million.

To meet state compliance standards regarding the amount of allowable trash on site, City Hall loads tons of garbage into haulers and drives it to Community Recycling in Sun Valley. It's then unloaded at a material recycling facility, known as a "dirty MRF" because it's where unrecycled "black bin garbage" is processed. Then it's sorted, loaded into another hauler and delivered to a landfill.

One advantage of transferring waste to Sun Valley is the 15 percent recycling credit City Hall receives no matter how little, or how much recyclables are actually recovered from refuse. But is it enough to offset savings incurred by turning over "excess" garbage to the privately owned, licensed transfer facility just next door?

In 2005, Community Recycling handled 12,500 tons of Santa Monica garbage, plus 15,800 tons of construction debris and was paid over \$1 million — amazingly, without even submitting a bid or a request for proposal.

There's another secret City Hall would rather you didn't know about. Despite boasting about being sustainable and "green," in 2004-05, more than 13,000 tons of garbage were sent to "waste to energy" treatment facilities where, yes, it was burned.

I mentioned last June that Santa Monica disposes of 103 tons of hazardous material — such as paint, solvents and corrosives — annually at a cost of \$335,000. That's a whopping \$3,140.77 per ton. The national average is \$1,100 per ton. There's still no explanation why our cost is almost three times the national average.

There still seems to be much amiss in the way we handle waste management. It's obvious that serious changes must be made starting with an external, independent financial audit of the department's figures.

I still see a lot of garbage and I'm still waiting for City Hall to get to the bottom of it.

(Bill Bauer has lived and written in Santa Monica for 34 years. He can be reached at mr.bilbau@gmail.com.)

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COMMENTARY



If only we had nine lives to learn how to get along



COMMON SCENTS
BY CAROLE ORLIN

Last Saturday, my husband, our cousin Cheryl, and thousands of other people grabbed their pets and went to downtown L.A. for the annual Blessing of the Animals led by Cardinal Mahoney. I admit I went there more out of curiosity than out of a belief that any blessing could help my wild and crazy dog.

I had heard so much about it and, although I'm not Catholic, I believe in covering all bases.

We braved our way on the 10 freeway, only to find that our exit at Alameda was closed off, presumably because of the immigration rallies. We took an alternate route and fought our way through serious L.A. traffic. Hordes of strange people crossed our path. In particular, one guy stood in front of our car in the middle of the street and wouldn't move. I had no idea what to do since I knew I could not sic the dog that I was bringing to be blessed on him. Finally, he got tired of that game, and moved out of the way. This maneuver occurred after hitting our car with his fist, and then proceeding to block the lane next to ours.

We drove around forever, until we could find a parking spot. We were lucky and found one for \$6. My cousin was not as lucky and had to fork over 12 bucks. We finally made it to the site where the blessing was to be held.

As soon as we got there, we knew it was worth the hassle. It felt like we entered an oasis of peaceful, kind souls in the middle of the craziness and bustle that is L.A. There was a feeling, corny as it sounds, of love all around. Every type of person was there, from the stereotypical biker who brought his Rotweiler that he loved and wasn't ashamed to admit it, to parents with their little children and their puppies — old dogs, kittens, mice, hamsters, turtles, and birds. My dog met her first pig, and they hit it off remarkably well. People brought their horses, cows, goats, ferrets, and rabbits. One guy brought his beloved albino python (I kid you not). There were roosters, chickens and geese. It was so nice to see, because so many of these animals are just bred for slaughter; yet there were some people who loved them enough to have them blessed.

Cardinal Mahoney's speech about

humans being given dominion over animals, and how important they are to us on so many levels, was actually very moving. He pointed out the fact that this had become a tradition that has been going on in Los Angeles for 76 years. Although it started out as a Catholic event, it now attracts everyone, and everyone is welcome. Of course, Mayor Villaraigosa was there (not one to miss a photo-op), but thankfully his speech was short, and the actual blessings started pretty much on time. Unfortunately, my dog was afraid of the sprinkler, but she managed to get a healthy dosing of the holy water anyway.

After the procession, we headed back out into the traffic and craziness. It was kind of sad, because I wanted to hold on to the good feelings I experienced at this unique happening.

The unusual events of Saturday afternoon brought back a conversation I had with my good friend Ann, a devout Catholic. She and her mother took Ann's sister, who had breast cancer, to Lourdes, hoping for a miracle. Unfortunately, her sister did die from the cancer, but she told Ann and her mother that going to Lourdes and being among the wonderful people there was the best experience of her life. I asked Ann if she felt the same way, despite her sister not being cured, and she confirmed that she did. At the time I could not understand that view. Although I am not comparing the blessing of the animals to making a pilgrimage to Lourdes, I can now see that the feeling of being in a kind, supportive environment is universally healing.

I took home questions and lessons from that day. What can we learn from these animals? Why is it so difficult for people to get along? Could it be because we emphasize our differences more than our similarities? My dog checked out the pig, the pig checked out the dog; they saw they were no threat to each other, and that was the end of it. No worries.

Maybe we complicate things that really are simple. Remember that song from elementary school: "I'm proud to be me, but I also see, you're just as proud to be you?" Now, if I can just keep that feeling the next time I'm accosted by an aggressive panhandler or cut off in traffic by someone on their cell phone.

I guess for now, I'll settle for the memory of the good feelings I had that day, and see if I can create more.

[This column is dedicated to Djuna, Christina and Jordana.]

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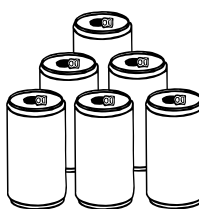
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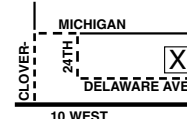


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Group asks: Won't you be my neighbor?

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national trend, but one way to reconnect with each other are resident portals, which are fast becoming popular in neighborhoods throughout the country, organizers said.

The funding for such a site is restrictive in that the money can't be used for projects or activities involving political campaigns, candidate endorsements or ballot measures. And no city funds can be paid to individual organization members, according to City Hall spokeswoman Judy Franz.

Because the Neighborhood Council is not a designated nonprofit organization, the participating neighborhood associations that have nonprofit status would have to apply for the city grant and accept the money on behalf of the umbrella organization.

City Hall offers neighborhood associations that meet certain criteria up to \$4,000 a year. Currently, there are four neighborhood associations that are authorized for city funding — Friends of Sunset Park, the Pico Neighborhood Association, the Ocean Park Association and Wilmont, which represents north of Wilshire Boulevard. Mid-City Neighbors and Northeast Neighbors are working on filing the necessary paperwork to receive nonprofit 501c3 status. North of Montana (NOMA) is organized, but doesn't meet City Hall's criteria for funding.

The next step for the Neighborhood Council is to finalize a plan and officially apply for the \$20,000 grant, which is one-time funding.

"We can't release funds if they don't have a plan," said Franz, adding \$20,000 would most likely be earmarked in the 2006-07 fiscal budget if a plan is not finalized by June 30, when the 2005-06 fiscal year ends.

City Councilman Kevin McKeown, who has attended a few of the Neighborhood Council's Saturday afternoon meetings, initially brought the \$20,000 grant proposal to the City Council, which ultimately approved it last year.

City Hall for years has supported resi-

dent involvement. It reached its progressive peak in the 1980s when City Hall provided the staff to do the work for neighborhood associations in what was called a neighborhood support center, which operated as a nonpartisan entity.

Neighborhood associations have a long history in Santa Monica, and once were very powerful organizations that heavily influenced policy throughout city, especially regarding development issues.

"We've seen a gradual weakening of membership and the support in the neighborhood groups," McKeown said. "Part of what we are hoping to do is start seeing the pendulum swing and re-empower these groups."

City agrees to turn over Macerich correspondence

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the Third Street Promenade.

That proposal was shelved by the City Council in August 2005 following strong opposition from residents as well as uncertainty about the future of Robinsons-May, which had just been purchased by Federated Department Stores Inc. Federated, which owns Macy's, closed the store in March as part of the merger.

"The e-mails are particularly invaluable information because they show how business is being done between the city and the developer (Macerich Inc.), and in the case of Santa Monica Place, those e-mails show just how emboldened Macerich was to submit a proposal that was completely out of scale for Santa Monica," said Diana Gordon, co-chair of the coalition, which was formed in response to the Macerich proposal. "The city was reluctant all along to provide us with this information and continually gave us excuses as to why we couldn't have them. That's why we had to file a lawsuit."

A settlement was reached and approved by the City Council on April 11, with City Hall agreeing to hand over all documents requested by the coalition

Some neighborhood associations have been able to stay alive and organized because they still have big issues facing them, such as Friends of Sunset Park, which is constantly being affected by the growth of Santa Monica College and the airport.

Many city leaders who ended up in elected positions, including McKeown, first got involved in civics because of their experiences at the neighborhood association level. McKeown chaired the Wilmont organization 10 years ago and remembers what was known as the Public Electronic Network, which allowed residents to talk to each other without government getting involved.

"It showed us what could be done on a grassroots level," McKeown said, adding

the associations were strong but weren't always connected even though many of their issues were larger, city issues. When the lack of parks became a citywide issue, then the neighborhood associations joined forces and received city funding to have the support center.

"I know what worked then, but I don't know what works now, so I have been watching (the Neighborhood Council) try to figure it out ... I'm continuing to be a resource, but without steering them in one direction," McKeown said. "This is their ability to create an opportunity to be heard in the local decision-making process, and everything I can do as a city councilmember to keep that alive, I will."

and to pay the coalition's legal fees, which amounted to \$36,000.

Deputy City Attorney Cara Silver, who worked on the lawsuit, said City Hall was not trying to obstruct the work of the coalition. Silver said the City Attorney's Office handed over at least 457 documents consisting of 6,500 pages, while the settlement only dealt with 49 documents.

"The city always tries to work with requestees to help refine their search and we had a search that came in and we produced some documents, but the coalition felt there were more that needed to be released so they filed a lawsuit," Silver said.

City Hall held back, Silver said, because the 49 pages, consisting mainly of internal e-mails, were considered protected under the public information act under the scope of deliberative process privilege.

"It boils down to protecting parties, both private and public, during contract negotiations or real estate deals, things of that nature where both sides do not want to disclose their strategy to the other party," Silver said. "We felt these e-mails fell under that protection, particularly because there was no deal being discussed."

Silver said recent constitutional amendments put into question this privilege, leading the City Attorney's Office to settle the case.

"The issue hadn't been litigated by the court and council directed these e-mails be turned over, given the deep public interest in the project," Silver said.

Councilman Richard Bloom, an attorney, said the law surrounding deliberative process privileged is "still a work in progress," so it is typical for requests to be closely examined and challenged by both sides.

"It's not necessarily about who's right or wrong," Bloom said. "The city is in the position of having to represent the best interests of everyone in the city and sometimes the disclosure of information, while in the best interest of a particular group, is not in the best interest for the city. In this case, a resolution was reached and in that context, the law provides we pay attorney fees, so that's why we are paying the bill."

SMCLC has another public records request pending with the city for development agreements City Hall has entered into and documents relating to the monitoring of developer's compliance with these agreements, Gordon said.

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

'Know before you go' is a weekly update on construction projects throughout Santa Monica. Here are the government-initiated projects for the week of April 24:

Electrical conduit installation:

Southern California Edison will be upgrading a power grid in the alley east of Ocean Avenue on Colorado Avenue. Construction is scheduled to begin April 19 and be complete May 12. There will be lane closures and congestion during 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. One lane will remain open in each direction.

Fourth Street pedestrian over-crossing bridge demolition:

Removal of an abandoned pedestrian over-crossing bridge. Fourth Street road closure between Ashland and Raymond avenues between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily. A 48-hour consecutive closure date on Fourth Street will be between Monday, April 10, and Thursday, April 13. Exact dates on consecutive closure will be announced.

Airport Park and Airport Avenue improvements:

Site grading, constructing new artificial turf soccer fields, constructing new playground, restrooms and dog park area, and reconstructing a portion of Airport Avenue. On-site detour possible during street reconstruction.

Civic Center parking structure:

Construction continues on a new 900-space Civic Center public parking structure, located on Fourth Street next to the Public Safety Facility. Construction will require the closure of Avenida Mazatlan and the Fourth Street sidewalk. One lane on southbound Fourth Street is subject to closure while work is occurring. There also may be delays entering the Civic Center parking lot from Fourt Street. Use the Main Street entrance.

Domestic water service installation:

City Hall's water resources division will begin construction work on Santa Monica Boulevard, east of 20th Street. The work will be for the purpose of supplying water service to the 2020 Santa Monica Blvd. property. Work is scheduled for Monday, April 17, to Wednesday, April 26. Construction will occur from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Marine Street utility undergrounding:

Relocation and undergrounding of electric, phone and cable facilities on Marine Street, between Lincoln Boulevard and Prospect Court. Parking limitations will be posted daily and detours may be announced as necessary.

Street/park lighting retrofit program:

Installation of a new light standard and circuit conversion from series to multiple and all other apparatus to provide a complete and operational street and park lighting system. Occasional traffic slowdown at five locations: Ocean Avenue from Colorado Avenue to Pico Boulevard; Ocean Avenue from Adelaide Drive to Montana Avenue; Georgina Avenue from Ocean Avenue to Fourth Street; Palisades Avenue from Ocean Avenue to Fourth Street; and Wilshire Boulevard from Yale Street to Centinela Avenue.

Street and parking lot resurfacing:

Street and park parking lot resurfacing, sidewalk, driveway, curb and gutter repairs. Repairs scheduled through October 2006. Sidewalk, driveway, curb and gutter repairs begin April 24th on 16th Street from Pico to Ocean Park boulevards; 16th from Hill to Marine streets; 17th Street from Pier Avenue to Marine Street; 17th Street south of Ocean Park Boulevard; 17th Street and Marine intersection; Ashland Avenue from 23rd Street to 14th Street; Marine Street from 14th Street to 16th Street; Marine Street from 21st Street to 18th Street; Navy Street from 23rd to 18th Street.; Sunset Avenue from 17th to 16th streets; Hill from 23rd streets to 18th Street; Oak Street from 23rd to 18th streets; and closure to the westbound lane on Airport Avenue from Donald Douglas Loop South to 23rd Street. Lane closures around work posted as necessary

Traffic signal upgrades:

There will be detours around the work area. However, the contractor will maintain at a minimum one lane in each direction on all streets. Upgrades to the location will be on Ocean Park Boulevard on Cloverfield Boulevard and 23rd Street.

Verizon Wireless facility installation:

Installation of wireless antenna/pole and Myers box installation and utility undergrounding. Daily closures of the east-erly lane on Moomat Ahiko Way from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Water main replacement:

Installation of new water main complete with service connections throughout the city. Detours and lane closures may occur, and will be posted at various sites during construction.

(For more information, log on to http://santa.monica.org/engineering/projects/kbug_project_list.asp or call 310-458-8721.)



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rebuild the family home to accommodate the growing occupants — nearly 100 foster children lived with the Washingtons in a four-year span.

But Washington's path to the Red Cross was long and winding. He served as a chef in the Army and then ended up back in Waterbury, working at a local factory. He moved to Los Angeles to pursue a life in entertainment. When that didn't pan out, he managed a Foot Locker store, started a couple of businesses and eventually went back to his community service roots by joining the Red Cross in 1994. Apparently, his passion for youth and giving back has stuck.

Washington, 44, has been working with youth at the Santa Monica Red Cross chapter in some capacity for 12 years, taking on many roles over that time. He joined the chapter as a customer service assistant and by 2000, he had moved up to youth services assistant. In 2003, Washington was appointed director of youth services and volunteers. He also is responsible for the chapter's computers and software, as well as maintains the chapter's Web site and handles the computer graphics and creative work. Washington also works community events and first-aid stations for the chapter on weekends when the need arises.

Washington's Santa Monica Red Cross volunteer program has 600 youth, ranging from 12 to 18 years old. They assist at the chapter working alongside the staff doing everything from answering phones and passing out flyers to stuffing envelopes. Youth volunteers act as Red Cross ambassadors at community events, health fairs, arts festivals and other community gatherings.

Youth volunteers are trained in first-aid and CPR, and some assist in disaster services. They often deploy at canteens such as set-up for public safety workers at the recent small private plane crash near the beach in Ocean Park. They also can be pressed into service, helping victims at localized disasters such as at the Farmer's Market tragedy a few years ago and house or apartment fires.

In his free time, Washington is a part-time employee and volunteer at Upward Bound House, a transitional housing complex on 12th Street for homeless and indigent families who are transitioning from the streets to permanent housing and jobs. On his own time, he teaches children computer skills and software.

He volunteers with Relief International, a youth communications and empowerment nonprofit corporation. Last summer, Washington accompanied 10 high school students on a three-week trip to Sri Lanka as an adult chaperone. While in Sri Lanka, Washington was bitten by a spider which required five days in the hospital.

Washington lives in Hacienda Heights. He is single and has a 14-year-old son, Jerry, Jr., who lives with his birth-mother in Santa Monica and attends Lincoln Middle School. Washington recently sat down with the Daily Press to discuss his role at the Red Cross.

How were you introduced to community service at an early age?

"It was a family value. My mother was an activist. I was a poster child for 'Vote 18' at 2 years old. The voting age back in the '60s was 21 and she led a march and they took my picture and it made all the papers. It was poster of me in a stroller saying 'I'm too young to vote, what's your excuse?'"



Photo courtesy

Jerry Washington, director of youth services and volunteers at the Santa Monica Red Cross chapter, traveled to Sri Lanka with 10 youth last year to help with relief efforts.

What kind of activist was your mother?

"She promoted racial harmony. She wanted to overcome some of the barriers that a lot of African Americans faced in the '60s and in the '50s. She was pro-affirmative action. She ran a youth center. They dealt with a lot of at-risk kids in my hometown. The center was called PRIDE — Preserving Racial Identity Through the Development of Education."

What was it like growing up?

"I was adopted at 2 months old. I grew up with all women. After me, (my mother) started a group home and we had maybe, during the course from 14 to 18 years old, at least 80 or 90 girls living there at different times for different reasons."

How was that?

"It was weird. She thought at the time, having boys, having a mix, would be too much trouble. But she had me since I was 2 months old. She had a better network to deal with the girls ... They were 12 to 18."

How many would you have, typically, at a time in your house?

"The most would be 10. Actually, I helped build the house. It used to be an old dairy farm. It started out as a four-bedroom house. When we got done with it, it was a 14-bedroom house."

Was your dad around?

"My dad was a police officer for 30 years. He served in the military. Now he delivers papers as part of his retirement. (My parents) still live Waterbury. He is 78 and she is 76."

Why did you enter the military?

"I didn't get accepted into the schools that I wanted. I went in the Army and I was a cook. I was stationed in Frankfurt, Germany. I was in North Carolina for six months before I switched to Germany. I was in Germany for two years. It was great. It was a lot of work. I was in a gun battery, so we did a lot of traveling and I got a lot of cooking experience there. I cooked on an average day for between 400 and 800 people."

Where did you go from there?

"I came back home and worked at the youth center again. Then I started bouncing around from job to job, doing everything from construction to Deejaying, bartending, working in the factory for a little

bit. I did that for about three years. Then I came out here."

What led you to Los Angeles?

"I don't want to say because you are going to (print it). Opportunities. I wanted to be a comedian, but I wasn't that funny. I didn't bring enough money so I had to find a job real quick."

Where did you get a job?

"My first job was at Foot Locker. I went back to school. I took training to be a cardiac technician. I've always had an interest in the medical field. I took a couple of courses for cooking before I went to Germany. And I took the Army courses to get a chef's license. I didn't finish off the training for cardiac technician but I did finish off the training for medical assistant. I was transferred to the store at National and Overland. It's not a store anymore. I became assistant manager. I left the company and started my own T-shirt company. That went good for a couple of years. I was making customized T-shirts with different slogans and that went well until the Lakers started losing. I needed a job because my girlfriend was pregnant and I needed a job that offered a little bit more stability so I joined the Red Cross."

When was that?

"In 1994. After the earthquake, I started out doing general maintenance and cleaning up a lot of the stuff — supplies and making sure everything was back in order. It was an opportunity for growth. It was something easy to start with. I do have good people skills and I thought it was something that I could easily grow into. That's been the case. I'm trying to keep up with the growth of the city and now with technology."

How has the Red Cross changed?

"We put more emphasis on preparedness since I got here. Also in training in volunteers. Last year we sent out 92 volunteers to help out with hurricane relief. That is the most we've sent out in my 12-year history."

Did you go to help with relief efforts in New Orleans?

"Unfortunately, my injury didn't let me. I went to Sri Lanka last July. I missed the Fourth of July, the first one I've missed. I went with three youth from the Santa Monica chapter and seven from LA. We went to explore global volunteerism

and see some of the effects of the tsunami and work with groups of kids as they rebuild the country and learn about their culture. We were there for three weeks."

How did you respond to Hurricane Katrina here?

"We had a very overwhelming response where people wanted to help. We were providing training. We also assisted over 271 families from the affected area here. I had the opportunity to go to Florida on a relief effort two years ago which gave me a lot of inside knowledge on the protocols on what to do. It helped out a great deal."

How far were you into the Sri Lanka trip before you got bit by the spider?

"About a week and a half. We were rebuilding Medicine Man's garden. There was debris that had washed up from the ocean so we were going to rebuild the garden. We had to cut trees, move bushes and really I didn't think anything of it — I was wearing shorts that day — because everything else, the vegetation was all taken off. There were a couple of scorpions, we saw them running. If a scorpion would take off, we thought it wouldn't be a problem. But this spider had to be real, real tiny because I didn't see it. Two days later my leg started swelling up from the knee down. We had gone to the northern part of the country. I took a six-hour trip to get to the hospital. I had seen a doctor up there and he said I needed to be on an IV for a couple of days. They had a lot of field doctors up there because they don't have a lot of medical facilities. They have a lot of makeshift hospitals up there. There were a lot of foreign doctors there, making sure people were getting the proper care. And the UN has their own group, too. I was in the hospital for four days. I missed part of the youth working with children in the northern part of the country where they built an office and a kitchen at a Hindi temple."

What did you get from the experience?

"Seeing how people in Muslim countries lived. The effects of Buddhism on a country. Seeing how people recover from devastation who really didn't have very much and watching how the experience has changed the volunteers."

What do you get from being at the Red Cross?

"It is a change every day and every day is different. I feel that I am helping some kids from getting in trouble and providing them with a rewarding experience. I hope that they volunteer with a nonprofit organization during their lifetime. The trends of volunteerism have changed. We need to build back up our volunteer base within the youth now so when they get older, they have that instilled in their minds. Nonprofits need community support. The Red Cross has the most volunteers per staff, which is about 26 to one nationally. Ours is 75 to eight."

What is your biggest challenge in the job?

"Juggling my three titles. Fixing computers, to managing a Web site to managing the youth volunteers. I took training with Community Digital about five years ago and I started teaching the homeless kids at Upward Bound computer classes and teaching web design as I learned. I brought those practices into the Red Cross and tried to help rebuild the Web site which was becoming outdated. Just by doing that, the jobs just grew."



In grande scheme of things, second-place isn't too bad

BY JERRY HIRSCH

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Most companies want to be No. 1. Making it to No. 2 would be good enough for Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf, a fast-growing Los Angeles-based coffee-house chain.

It's an admission that in the coffee business, there is Starbucks Corp., and then there is everybody else.

Coffee Bean, on schedule to have more than 400 stores by the end of this year, is one of at least half a dozen small players vying for the second spot. They range in size from having 200 to 400 cafes, and none has a clear bead on second place.

Coffee Bean's rivals include Peet's Coffee & Tea Inc. of Emeryville, Calif., Caribou Coffee Co. of Minneapolis, Diedrich Coffee Inc. of Irvine and franchiser It's a Grind Inc. of Long Beach.

"Starbucks will open 1,800 units worldwide this year," said Nicole Miller, an analyst with ThinkEquity Partners in Minneapolis. "None of these other chains have anywhere near 1,800 units."

Yet the dominance of Starbucks and its 11,000 stores doesn't stop others from making money. The entire coffee house and kiosk industry is growing at 20 percent annually, Miller said.

Americans spend about \$10 billion

annually at coffee outlets, according to the Specialty Coffee Association of America.

"There's a new person drinking a cup of coffee outside their home every day, and there's also someone going from one cup to two," Miller said.

That's what Coffee Bean Chief Executive Sunny Sassoon counts on for growth in the family-owned business, which he says is profitable and will hit \$200 million in sales this year. Sassoon wants to grow the business at a 30 percent annual rate over the next decade.

"The potential is huge," he said, especially in California.

In Starbucks' hometown of Seattle, there's a coffeehouse for every 2,500 residents, Sassoon said. In California, the ratio is one to every 28,000 residents.

Coffee Bean owns, licenses or franchises 160 locations in the state and plans to jump past the 200 mark this year. Most of the growth will be in Southern California.

The chain recently signed a deal to license as many as 40 mini-cafes in Ralphs Grocery Co. stores over the next three years, including 11 this year. Coffee Bean will supply the coffee, tea and baked goods for the cafes, which will be staffed by Ralphs.

"There is room for many players in this market," Starbucks spokesman Alan Hilowitz said.

Red Cross director was born to lend a hand to community

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Is your job satisfying?

"Working with the youth. We have between 15 and 20 students who come in after school. We have clubs in Santa Monica High School and Crossroads High School which poses a little bit of competitiveness between the schools because they come from such diverse backgrounds and structures in trying to build a friendship amongst these kids that normally would not even hang with each other."

When did you start working with Upward Bound?

"We partnered with Upward Bound right after they first opened, providing homeless childcare, enabling parents to go out and look for jobs during the summer. I started working there five years ago. I was working with a group of troubled teenagers and they need a positive male figure. One of the youth that was involved in the program is now going to the Art Institute of LA for graphic design. I think that my involvement with the program in teaching web design got him interested in that and out of trouble. He was 13 and didn't have a positive male figure in his life and he had a lot of anger because of other things that were going on in his life. He was there with his mother and sister. They stayed there for a year and got housing in South Central ..."

Is that what keeps you going back?

"There is a lot of fulfillment in the job. These kids also come to the Red Cross so we can expose them to different things and let them know that people do care about them and we do care about what they want

out of life and become productive members of society."

What has been your biggest challenge?

"Being able to keep this job for 12 years. A lot of the Red Cross has been through a lot of changes over the years and being able to keep up with those changes."

What is your favorite part of the city?

"Lincoln Park. Playing basketball. I play every weekend and sometimes during the week. I meet a lot of professionals and there are a lot of community members. Basketball is relaxing for me."

What is your least favorite part of the city?

"That there is not more programs for teenagers. If you look at the focus, there are a lot of activities for 0 to 5; a lot of programming at the schools but once you get into the high school, there is not that many programs. Everybody competes for programming instead of working together. I am going to try to bring all of the city organizations together by inviting them to the teen summit at the Santa Monica Library on May 6 and 7. Relief International is hosting kids from Bangladesh, who are coming to visit Santa Monica for two weeks to learn global volunteerism and I am inviting all city organizations to send at least a couple of youth delegates to listen to their ideas and attend these workshops."

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Federal security ID could cause lengthy port delays

BY JEREMIAH MARQUEZ

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Cargo industry officials are worried that a federal ID system aimed at boosting security could cost many port workers their jobs, something that would bottle up the flow of goods destined for virtually every U.S. community.

Details of the program — more than three years in the making — are still being worked out. But according to industry officials who have discussed it with the Transportation Security Administration and Coast Guard, illegal immigrants and people convicted of certain crimes might be barred from the positions they now hold.

At ports, that could mean thousands of people will be out of jobs, including dock workers and truck drivers.

“Of course there are concerns,” said Chuck Carroll, executive director of the National Association of Waterfront Employers, a trade group for terminal operators. “You’d have the same number of boxes but fewer people to move them, and that could mean major congestion.”

Steve Stallone, spokesman for the International Longshore and Warehouse Union, said a conviction shouldn’t automatically preclude someone from working.

“Just because a guy got into a bar fight does not make him a terrorist,” said Stallone, whose union represents nearly 14,000 West Coast longshoremen and clerks. “Terrorist acts are one thing. But that you beat up your next-door neighbor? I don’t think so.”

The issue in question is the Transportation Worker Identification Credential program, a post-Sept. 11 security measure that seeks to better control access to harbors, rail yards, airports and other cargo transit areas terrorists might target. It could affect as many as 6 million people.

TSA and Coast Guard officials have refused to discuss details of the plan before it is unveiled, which could be as early as next week.

“We are the first to admit that we need to finish the job,” the agency said in a statement. “This is an initiative that has languished for too long.”

Since the Sept. 11 attacks the federal government has spent many billions of dollars increasing airport security but less has been done at ports. Only a small percentage of cargo is inspected and many workers undergo little or no scrutiny for possible criminal records.

Port security is a sensitive area. Earlier this year, the Bush administration was forced to scrap plans to allow a Dubai-based company to assume oversight at major U.S. harbors after critics in both major political parties voiced strong opposition.

“The openness of our ports ... is one of the tremendous marks of success in this global economy, but it also provides an opportunity for terror,” said Rep. Dan Lungren,

R-Calif., who is sponsoring port security legislation with Rep. Jane Harman, D-Calif. “We ought to limit (access) to people who are here legally. We ought to limit it to people who would not jeopardize that security.”

A federal maritime security law passed in 2002 mandated a worker credential that relies on “biometrics” — fingerprints and other distinguishing characteristics — and background checks. The ID system has undergone testing at sites in California, Florida, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Delaware.

The TSA proposal is expected to include rules similar to those for truck drivers who ferry hazardous materials, according to Carroll; Lisa Himber, who serves on a federal advisory board for maritime security; and Mike Mitre, the longshoremen union’s port security director. They are among industry officials who have discussed the plan with government authorities and confirmed details of the proposal.

The proposal would bar anyone who is on a terror watch list, entered the country illegally or has certain criminal convictions. Among the disqualifying crimes would be offenses related to espionage, terrorism, explosives or “a transportation security incident.” In some cases, workers could be excluded for assault with intent to murder, kidnapping, rape, drug offenses, extortion, robbery and fraud.

It’s unclear exactly how many workers fall into those categories, though it’s generally acknowledged that illegal immigrants and felons work at the ports.

Last week, seven of 50 truckers checked by immigration authorities outside the Los Angeles-Long Beach port complex were arrested on suspicion of being in the country illegally, according to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

And in Florida, one of the few places where port workers already must submit to extensive criminal background checks, hundreds have been rejected for jobs since early 2001 because of criminal pasts, said Nevin Smith of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Any significant loss of workers could cause big problems at the twin ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. With about 43 percent of America’s goods passing across their docks, the adjacent ports make up the nation’s largest such complex. The ports were so chronically jammed in 2004 that they expanded their hours to nights and weekends the following year.

A nationwide trucker shortage could compound matters. At the Southern California complex, any undocumented immigrants are thought to work largely as truckers, not longshoremen.

Art Merrick, president of the Long Beach Container Terminal, said the port might be able to absorb a 10 percent reduction in truck drivers.

“What if it’s more?” he asked. “You start thinking about the what-ifs.”

Minutemen contend they have lots of help

BY ARTHUR H. ROTSTEIN

Associated Press Writer

TUCSON, Ariz. — Volunteer offers are flooding in to a border watch group that said it will build a fence on the Mexican border unless President Bush militarizes the border and adds new security fencing, group spokesmen said Friday.

“We’ve certainly struck a chord and a nerve with the American people on this one,” said Chris Simcox, national leader of the Minuteman Civil Defense Corps, which is conducting monthlong border watch operations in Arizona and more than a half-dozen other states on the Mexican and Canadian borders.

Group members are watching for illegal immigrants and smugglers entering the country and are reporting them to federal authorities.

Minuteman spokeswoman Connie Hair called the response to the fence proposal unbelievable — “people wanting to donate, to help build a fence, people wanting a fence on their land.”

People have called talk radio programs “offering to buy 100 feet of fence,” she said. Others have pledged to bring earthmovers to the border, as long as they can operate the machinery themselves, or promised a trade union’s assistance.

So far, Simcox said, landowners owning a total of some 70 miles of border property have said they would allow Minutemen to build fortified fencing.

Of that, about 20 to 25 miles are in Arizona, the busiest illegal entry point on the U.S.-Mexico border, he said. The longest contiguous line is about 15 miles.

The rest of the committed land is in California, Texas and New Mexico, he said.

Simcox said he hopes to hold construction costs to between \$125 and \$150 a foot, since labor and equipment will be donated.

The Minuteman group envisions fencing fashioned after an Israeli design. It would include a 6-foot deep trench to keep vehicles from crashing through, concertina wire and two 15-foot-high heavy-gauge steel mesh fences with the tops angled outward and separated by an unpaved dirt road.

It also would have inexpensive mounted video cameras.

Kat Rodriguez, coordinating organizer for the human rights organization Derechos Humanos, called the idea misguided.

For the last 10 years of enforcement policies, despite heavy militarization in San Diego and Texas, “migration has failed to be affected in any meaningful way,” she said. “Bottom line, it doesn’t work. Will that fence stop people from crossing? Absolutely not.”

She said fencing has only shifted migration patterns.

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Bush says new Iraqi government must take on bigger security role

NEDRA PICKLER

Associated Press Writer

WEST SACRAMENTO, Calif. — President Bush said Saturday that the new political leadership in Iraq will shoulder the burden of securing the country, but he did not commit to a drawdown of American forces that now are playing the lead role.

"There's going to be more tough fighting ahead in Iraq and there'll be more days of sacrifice and struggle," Bush said. "Yet, the enemies of freedom have suffered a real blow today, and we've taken a great stride on the march to victory."

"This historic achievement by determined Iraqis will make America more secure," he said.

Bush spoke hours after Iraq's president designated Jawad al-Maliki to form the new government. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice called him a patriot and "somebody with whom we can work," even if he disagrees with the United States on certain issues.

The administration's quick and high-profile response to the weekend's political events in Iraq reflected the high stakes the situation poses for Bush. The administration sees the establishment of a permanent government in Iraq as an important step toward stabilizing the country and allowing for the drawdown of U.S. forces there.

"Formation of a new Iraqi government is an opportunity for America to open a new chapter in our partnership with the Iraqi people," Bush said. "The United States and our coalition partners will work with the new Iraqi government to reassess our tactics, adjust our methods and strengthen our mutual efforts to achieve victory in this central front in the war on terror."

Squabbling among Iraq's political factions more than four months after national elections in December had weakened public approval in the U.S. for the war and fed the rising sectarian violence.

Bush's approval rating is at the lowest point of his presidency, and the daily tide of bad news from Iraq — beheadings and suicide bombings, attacks on U.S. soldiers — is a

chief reason.

Five U.S. soldiers were killed Saturday, including four whose vehicle hit a roadside bomb during a patrol in south Baghdad, the military said. Nearly 2,400 members of the U.S. military have died since the U.S.-led invasion in March 2003.

Bush did not discuss al-Maliki directly in a brief statement to reporters after his helicopter landed in West Sacramento during a four-day trip through California.

He said the agreement that led to al-Maliki's selection represented compromise, consensus and the will of the Iraqi people. Unlike the transitional and interim governments that came before, he said the new leadership will "have the popular mandate to address Iraq's toughest long-term challenges."

"The new government has a responsibility to deploy the growing strength of the Iraqi security forces to defeat the terrorists and insurgents and establish control over the militias," Bush said.

"These are major challenges and the new Iraqi government will not face them alone. America is helping Iraq's young democracy move forward."

Al-Maliki, a consensus nominee for prime minister, opposed both Saddam Hussein and the invasion that toppled the dictator.

Shiite politicians chose al-Maliki to replace their previous nominee, interim Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari, a polarizing figure whom the United States opposed behind the scenes. Al-Maliki has strong ties to al-Jaafari, and the support of the political group led by firebrand anti-American cleric Moqtada al-Sadr.

Al-Maliki has 30 days to present his Cabinet to parliament for approval.

"He's thought to be a strong figure, someone who is capable of getting things done," Rice said. "He's also thought to be someone who is very much an Iraqi patriot — very, very concerned about Iraq and Iraq's sovereignty."

Bush called Canada's prime minister, Stephen Harper, to discuss the developments in Iraq. The president also offered condolences about the four Canadian soldiers killed Saturday by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan.

Ancestral Puebloan remains get reburial

By The Associated Press

MESA VERDE NATIONAL PARK, Colo. — Remains of more than 1,500 ancestral Puebloans uncovered by scientists, students and park visitors over the years have been reburied at Mesa Verde National Park.

The Hopi Tribe buried the remains and associated funerary objects in a private ceremony Thursday, capping 12 years of consultation with 24 tribes affiliated with the park, Mesa Verde spokeswoman Tessy Shirakawa said Friday.

"It's extremely important to the tribe to have the ceremonies completed so that the life journey that was interrupted can be continued," she said.

She declined to reveal the burial site, saying the tribe wanted to keep it secret.

"Without a doubt it is important," Hopi Tribal Chairman Ivan Sidney said in a written statement to The Associated Press on Friday. "Our ancestors must be allowed to rest. It's affecting our ancestry. They need to be taken care of in a humane and respectful manner. They have a special meaning to us because they are our ancestors and were part of our long migrations."

The ceremony was among several held or planned around the country to comply with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

The law, enacted in 1990, provides a process for museums and federal agencies to return certain American Indian cultural items to lineal descendants, culturally affiliated American Indian tribes and native Hawaiian organizations.

Through Sept. 30, some 633,525 funerary objects and the remains of 31,571 people have been entered into the Federal Register, said Sherry Hutt, NAGPRA program manager in Washington, D.C.

At Mesa Verde, services were held for remains from 1,528 individuals of whom Navajos, Zunis, Hopis and other Pueblo tribes are descendants, Hutt said. Also buried were 4,889 funerary objects, including beads, basketry and pottery, and 26 individuals who could not be

identified with a specific tribe, Hutt said.

"Their remains are being buried in our homeland although the area is presently under someone else's jurisdiction," Sidney said. "We have not lost our ties to these sacred areas. We maintain our ties to the land through our pilgrimages, prayers and our religion."

Some of the items had been unearthed by individuals who later returned them to the park. Others were discovered by park staff, archaeological teams or university field schools, Hutt said. The remains and objects date from 500 to 1300 A.D. and were excavated at various times between the 1890s and 1990s, Hutt said.

Shirakawa said the burial was the first that she knew of at Mesa Verde since NAGPRA was enacted.

The Acoma Pueblo Tribe oversaw a burial held earlier for remains and items found at the Animas-La Plata Project south of Durango.

Jim Potter, principal investigator for archaeological investigations with SWCA Environmental Consultants, said hundreds of thousands of ceramic shards and artifacts have been unearthed over four years of excavation work at 72 archaeological sites on the water project.

He said more than 200 human remains have been found. Another burial has been planned, but negotiations are ongoing and no date has been set. He expected it would occur in the next two or three years.

"This project is yielding some really interesting results on the prehistory of the Durango area that wasn't known before," he said Friday. "In a 50- to 75-year period, people were coming in, building sites and they would leave rapidly. We're trying to understand the reasons for that."

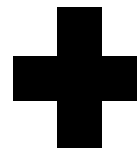
Environmental reasons, social conflicts and the fact that the community was multiethnic may have been factors, Potter said. He said he was not able to publicly discuss details of what scientists have learned from the remains at the site, out of respect for 26 tribes affiliated with the project site, although more details may be published later in scientific journals.

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NATIONAL

Hawaii loses its symbolic pineapples

BY MARK NIESSE

Associated Press Writer

WAIALUA, Hawaii — With Hawaii's famous pineapple industry slumping in the face of foreign competition, specialized crops like noni, papaya and macadamia nuts are beginning to bear fruit.

For many, pineapples symbolize America's 50th state. Now, however, they can be grown and shipped to the United States more cheaply from Thailand, the Philippines, Brazil, China, India and Costa Rica.

Fresh Del Monte Produce Inc. announced in February that it would end its Hawaii pineapple operations by mid-2008, and about 700 workers will lose jobs that date back to an era when plantations imported workers from around Asia.

"We're losing what Hawaii once had, but we're moving forward to a better time," said Alan Wong, a well-known local chef and owner of restaurants including The Pineapple Room. "If you want a taste of Hawaii, you can have it in ways you never had before."

Wong remembers working as a teenager on the pineapple fields of central Oahu for \$1.60 an hour. Now, parts of the island's huge plantations have either been handed over to small farmers or developed

into subdivisions and shopping complexes.

"It was a different time," Wong said. "It's a little sad."

But as Hawaii's traditional crops have declined, farmers have shifted to more specialized food products that sell for premium prices.

"It became unprofitable to farm," said papaya farmer Ken Kamiya as he loaded the fruits from his trees into boxes. "In order for agriculture to really expand, we need to export. We need to get the fruits out of here and the money in here."

The transition to niche fruits and vegetables has been steadily growing over the last 20 years.

Revenue from products such as coffee, mangos, flowers and other tropical fruits has increased from \$204 million in 1984 to \$403 million in 2004, according to the state Department of Agriculture. By comparison, pineapple production was \$83.1 million in 2004, down from \$88.9 million in 1984.

Pineapple fields covered only about 13,000 acres on Hawaii in 2004, down from 35,000 acres in 1987. Many of the same farmers who once harvested pineapple now grow the new crops, and the same will likely happen with some of the workers at Del Monte who are losing their jobs.

Premium fruits like the round, pale and

bumpy noni are helping to fill the void left by pineapple. The bitter-tasting noni juice — which sells for about \$30 a bottle — is being promoted as a remedy for fever, skin infections, stomach pain and respiratory ailments.

"Everyone is trying to do what we're doing here," said Laakea Kamauoha, president of the Kamauoha Foundation, which educates farmers and helps get their local products to market. "Noni is a product that we're looking to use to get farmers back on the land. A lot of land is now open."

Macadamia nut production also has increased in recent years, as more pineapple fields become available, said Dana Gray, chairman of Oils of Aloha, which processes macadamia nut oil.

"There's an impression that after sugar and pineapple went, agriculture was dead, and we would just turn the islands over to tourism. That's not the case," Gray said. "Agriculture is important. Hawaii should be green and not covered by houses."

At Dean Okimoto's herb and salad greens farm in Waimanalo, the narrow green rows of inches-high arugula, basil and chili peppers add to dishes at 120 restaurants.

"Farmers are having to change to meet market demands," said Okimoto, president of the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation.

In many ways, the loss of pineapples is

a natural response to globalization trends, said Sandra Kunimoto, Board of Agriculture chairwoman. Poorer countries have lower labor and land costs, and it's more efficient for them to grow common fruits in bulk, she said.

With global competition, American farmers face the need to diversify, she said.

"It's opened up everybody's eyes to what is possible," she said.

Pineapples will always be grown in Hawaii, but in decreasing numbers, farmers say. The demand for new, exotic varieties will determine how popular they are.

The Dole Plantation in Wahiawa is still a major tourist attraction, but it now reaches beyond pineapple, with a new garden that features a wide variety of tropical agriculture, a maze and a train ride. A popular refreshment for locals and tourists is still its ultimate pineapple float — pineapple ice cream floating in Hawaiian pineapple juice.

Another Hawaii pineapple brand, Maui Gold, emphasizes its sweet, juicy flavor and its local origins to attract new customers, said Brian Nishida, president of Maui Pineapple Co.

"Imagine being a tourist and coming to Hawaii and not having pineapple!" Nishida said. "We are very much niche players. ... We believe that gives us an advantage over the mass marketers."

Man is on the mend after 12-pack goes to his head

BY SARAH SKIDMORE

Associated Press Writer

PORTLAND, Ore. — A 33-year-old Oregon man on methamphetamine and suffering from mental health problems fired 12 nails from a nail gun into his head and survived.

The man, who has not been identified by medical officials for privacy reasons, went to an Oregon hospital last year complaining of a headache.

Doctors were surprised when they took X-rays and found the nails — six clustered between his right eye and ear, two below his right ear and four on the left side of his head.

No one before is known to have survived having intentionally fired so many foreign objects into the head, according to the current issue of the Journal of Neurosurgery, where the case is detailed.

The nails were not visible when doctors initially examined the man in the emergency room of a hospital, a day after he'd fired the nail gun. When doctors saw the X-ray results, they transferred him to Oregon Health & Science University in Portland for intensive neurological care.

He became short-tempered and hostile when OHSU staff asked him how the injury occurred, according to the study. Psychological examinations showed he had "poor judgment and insight."

The man at first told doctors he had had a "nail gun accident." It wasn't until later that the patient admitted he'd used meth and the injury was a suicide attempt.

The patient was in remarkably good condition when he got to OHSU, according to the study. While even one nail to the head can be fatal, these nails came close to major blood vessels and the brain stem but did not pierce either.

The nails still posed a threat to the patient's health and doctors decided to operate quickly. Because of the number of nails, doctors decided to fully sedate him rather than keep him partially awake, which is done in some surgeries to monitor neurological responses.

The published study did not say how long the nails were, and an OHSU spokeswoman refused to release that information. A photo published in the study suggests the nails range from 1 1/2 to 2 inches.

Surgeons were able to remove the nails with needle-nosed pliers and a drill because the nail heads did not penetrate the skull.

The patient was later transferred to psychiatric care. He stayed there nearly a month until a court-ordered hospital stay expired. Then the patient left, against medical advice, the study said.

Nail gun injuries are often accidental. But over 65 percent of the time, a nail gun injury to the head is associated with an intentional discharge, a psychiatric disorder or both, the study said.

This patient suffered from an undiagnosed mood disorder with suicidal intent, the study said.

He told doctors that he later attempted suicide again but has been drug-free for six months and has been able to recover.

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son(s) is (are) doing business as PETS HOME,
1343 GLENDALE BLVD, LA, CA 90026. The full
name of registrant(s) is/are : WILLIAM RODRIGUEZ,
1930 VASSAR ST, GLENDALE, CA 91204 This Busi-
ness is being conducted by, an individual.
Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact
business under the fictitious name or names listed
herein.. /s/: WILLIAM RODRIGUEZ
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
NO. 06 0587157 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as ANGELS PRN
HOMECARE, 232 N. MAR VISTA AVE, #1, PASA-
DENA, CA 91106. The full name of registrant(s)
is/are : DOHN MANUEL BURCE, 232 N. MAR VISTA
AVE, #1, PASADENA, CA 91106, VERADEA T. R.
BURCE, 232 N. MAR VISTA AVE, #1, PASADENA,
CA 91106 This Business is being conducted by,
husband and wife. Signed: Registrant has not yet
begun to transact business under the fictitious
name or names listed herein.. /s/: DOHN MANUEL
BURCE, VERADEA T. R. BURCE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
LOS ANGELES County on 3/20/2006. NOTICE: THIS
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
NO. 06 0611686 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as C CALIFORNIA EX-
PRESS TAXI, WHITTIER YELLOW CAB, ALL YELLOW
CAB, 12623 E. IMPERIAL HIGHWAY, #207, SANTA
FE SPRING, CA 90670. The full name of
registrant(s) is/are : ALBERTO QUINTERO, 725 S.
HARDINS AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90022 This Busi-
ness is being conducted by, an individual. Signed:
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business
under the fictitious name or names listed herein..
/s/: ALBERTO QUINTERO
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
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son(s) is (are) doing business as POMONA AUTO
REGISTRATION, 1470 W. HOLT AVE, #C, POMONA,
CA 91768. The full name of registrant(s) is/are :
NANCY DORANTES, 15738 AMAR RD, LA PUENTE,
CA 91744 This Business is being conducted by, an
individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to
transact business under the fictitious name or
names listed herein.. /s/: NANCY DORANTES
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
NO. 06 0623671 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as HOLLYWOOD
HAUNTED TOURS, HOLLYWOOD HAUNTED DIS-
COUNT TOURS, CELEBRITY DISCOUNT TOURS, A
LIST SHUTTLE SERVICE, AMAZING CELEBRITY DIS-
COUNT TOURS, 15919 PARTHINA ST, NORTH
HILLS, CA 913143. The full name of registrant(s)
is/are : CELEBRITY HAUNTED DISCOUNT TOURS,

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
NO. 06 0611640 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as BETO'S SHEET
METAL, 2600 WHITTIER BLVD, SUITE A, LA, CA
90023. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : SIL-
VIA ESTELA MARTINEZ, 3666 WESTWOOD BLVD,
#104, LA, CA 90034 This Business is being con-
ducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant
commenced to transact business under the ficti-
tious business name or names listed on
(Date)6/1/2005.. /s/: SILVIA ESTELA MARTINEZ
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
NO. 06 0623417 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as ARP CONTRAC-
TOR, INC, AI #/ON A0642038, 5324 9TH AVENUE,
LOS ANGELES, CA 90043. The full name of regis-
trant(s) is/are : ARP CONTRACTOR, CORP (CALI-
FORNIA), 5324 9TH AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, CA
90043 This Business is being conducted by, a cor-
poration. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to
transact business under the fictitious name or
names listed herein.. /s/: ARP CONTRACTOR,
CORP, PRESIDENT, ADOLFO RAMOS PORTILLO
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
NO. 06 0605007 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as MYKOANGELO
PRODUCTIONS, 2625 ALLENTON AVENUE, HACI-
ENDA HEIGHTS, CA 91745. The full name of regis-
trant(s) is/are : MICHAEL G. MICHEL, 2625 ALLEN-
TON AVENUE, HACIENDA HEIGHTS, CA 91745 This
Business is being conducted by, an individual.
Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact
business under the fictitious name or names listed
herein.. /s/: MICHAEL MICHEL
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
NO. 06 0611576 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as ARAIMAGES,
1935 ALPHA RD, #238, GLENDALE, CA 91208. The
full name of registrant(s) is/are : GREGG ABAR-
CHIAN, 1935 ALPHA RD, #238, GLENDALE, CA
91208 This Business is being conducted by, an in-
dividual. Signed: The registrant commenced to
transact business under the fictitious business
name or names listed on (Date)1/1/2006.. /s/:
GREGG ABARCHIAN
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE
NO. 06 0601198 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as Injekt Depot,
9045 E. Fairview Ave, San Gabriel, CA 91775. The
full name of registrant(s) is/are : Ka Tai, 9045 E.
Fairview Ave, San Gabriel, CA 91775 This Busi-
ness is being conducted by, an individual. Signed:
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business
under the fictitious name or names listed herein..
/s/: Ka Tai
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NO. 06 0601198 FIRST FILING. The following per-
son(s) is (are) doing business as A&C Sweeping,
125 E. Home St, LB, CA 90805. The full name of
registrant(s) is/are : Cecil B. Harper, 125 E. Home
St, LB, CA 90805, Angelica Perez, 125 E. Home St,
LB, CA 90805 This Business is being conducted by,
co-partners. Signed: Registrant has not yet be-
gun to transact business under the fictitious name
or names listed herein.. /s/: Cecil Harper, Angelica
Perez
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son(s) is (are) doing business as POMONA AUTO
REGISTRATION, 1470 W. HOLT AVE, #C, POMONA,
CA 91768. The full name of registrant(s) is/are :
NANCY DORANTES, 15738 AMAR RD, LA PUENTE,
CA 91744 This Business is being conducted by, an
individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to
transact business under the fictitious name or
names listed herein.. /s/: NANCY DORANTES
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15919 PARTHINA ST, NORTH HILLS, CA 913143
This Business is being conducted by, a limited li-
ability. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to
transact business under the fictitious name or
names listed herein.. /s/: CELEBRITY HAUNTED
DISCOUNT TOURS, PRESIDENT, GERALD JOSEPH
AUCOIN
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0611672 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as PREMIER HORI- ZON, RLC PROPERTIES, AI #/ON 2450642, 11100 E. ARTESIA BLVD, #E, CERRITOS, CA 90703. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : WEALTH FINDERS INC (CA), 12109 CAMINO VALENCIA, CERRITOS, CA 90703 This Business is being conducted by, a cor- poration. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: WEALTH FINDERS, INC, CEO, REYNANTE CUEFAS

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0623680 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as QUEENLY BEADS, AI #/ON 2770688, 6134 N. WALNUT AVENUE, LONG BEACH, CA 90805. The full name of regis- trant(s) is/are : BRAIN HONEY EROTIC, INC., 6134 N. WALNUT AVENUE, LONG BEACH, CA 90805 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)1/12/2005. /s/: BRAIN HONEY EROTICA, INC., YVONNE WALKER, VICE PRESIDENT

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0623665 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as ROMERO TRUCK- ING #2, 1410 1/2 W. 37 PL, LA, CA 90018. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : HIGINIO FLORES BE- NITEZ, 1410 1/2 W. 37 PL, LA, CA 90018 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)2/25/2006. /s/: HIGINIO FLORES BENITEZ

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0623613 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as SASSY BUT CLASSY, 1123 N. LA BREA AVE, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JO- ANNE SIMS, 831 S. FLOWER, #4, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301 This Business is being conducted by, an in- dividual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date) 1986. /s/: JOANNE SIMS

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0601199 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as VICTORIAS OUT- LET, 9045 E. Fairview Ave, San Gabriel, CA 91775. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KA TAI, 9045 E. Fairview Ave, San Gabriel, CA 91775 This Busi- ness is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: KA TAI

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0587209 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as THE PERFECT FIT, 918 MILWOOD AVENUE, VENICE, CA 90291. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KAREN M. LEE, 918 MILWOOD AVENUE, VENICE, CA 90291 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)3/16/2006. /s/: KAREN M. LEE

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0681749 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as AJOS Y CEBOL- LAS, 3617 CRENSHAW BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90016. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : NOEL LOPEZ SOSA, 2910 S. VICTORIA AVE, LOS ANGE- LES, CA 90016 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: NOEL LOPEZ SOSA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/30/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/3/2006, 4/10/2006, 4/17/2006, 4/24/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0623543 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as VIC'S SHOE AND LUGGAGE REPAIR, 18996 SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD, CANYON COUNTRY, CA. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KHACHATUR MIRAELYAN, 12775 STAGG ST, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA 91605 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: KHACHATUR MIRAELYAN

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Statement of Withdrawal from Partnership Operating under Fictitious Business Name

Current File No: 03 0186215

The following person(s) has/have withdrawn as a general partner(s) from the partnership operating under the fictitious business name of PYRAMID MACHINING located at 1935 ALPHA RD, #238, GLENDALE, CA 91208. The fictitious business name statement for the partnership was filed on 01/21/03 in the County of LOS ANGELES. The full name and residence of the person(s) withdrawing as a partner(s): KATRIN ABARCHIAN, 1935 ALPHA RD, #238, GLENDALE, CA 91208. /s/ KATRIN AB- ARCHIAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0636719 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as Wydan.com: Wy- dan Technologies: Wydan Computer Company, 1080 N. San Gabriel Blvd. Rosemead, CA 91770. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Daniel Cheng, 1080 N. San Gabriel Blvd. Rosemead, CA 91770 This Business is being conducted by, an in- dividual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Daniel Cheng

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/24/06. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/10/2006, 4/17/2006, 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0695633 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as READY FOR DOCS, 385 MOLINO AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90814. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ZANTHA DAY TOWE, 385 MOLINO AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90814 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)3/1/2006. /s/: ZAN- THA DAY TOWE, MARY RIVALSKY

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/1/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0681292 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as WILLY'S PAINT CO., 709 S. FETTERLY AVE., LA, CA 90022. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : WILFREDO AR- GUETA, 709 S. FETTERLY AVE., LA, CA 90022 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)3/5/2006. /s/: WILFREDO ARGUETA

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0658126 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as SMOOTH JAZZ MAGAZINE MARKETING, SMOOTH JAZZ MAGAZINE PRINTING, SMOOTH JAZZ MAGAZINE ADVERTIS- ING, SMOOTH JAZZ MAGAZINE TRAVEL, 3748 KEYSTONE AVE, SUITE 406, LOS ANGELES, CA 90034. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : SMOOTH JAZZ MAGAZINE, INC., (NEVADA), 3748 KEYSTONE AVE., LOS ANGELES, CA 90034 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: SMOOTH JAZZ MAGAZINE, INC, PRESI- DENT, ART JACKSON

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/28/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/10/2006, 4/17/2006, 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0658289 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as PLAIN WRAPPED DELICACIES, JETTE BROWN, 1000 W. CENTURY BL, #291, LA, CA 90044. The full name of regis- trant(s) is/are : GEORGETTE FOSTER, 1000 W. CENTURY BLVD, #291, LA, CA 90044, CORTEZ BROWN, 1000 W. CENTURY BL, #291, LA, CA 90044 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: GEORGETTE FOSTER

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0658252 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as PEPE POLLOS, 1290 S. DUNCAN AVE, LA, CA 90027. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JORGE BRAVO, 4976 S. HUNTINGTON DRIVE, LA, CA 90032 This Busi- ness is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: JORGE BRAVO

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0669426 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as ONTIME EX- PRESS, AI #/ON 2820826, 1509 SCOTT AVE., PO- MONA, CA 91767. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : TITANIC TRANSPORTATION INC, (CA), 1509 SCOTT AVE., POMONA, CA 91767 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Regis- trant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: TI- TANIC TRANSPORTATION INC, PRESIDENT, FORTINO PERATTA ESTEBAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0681159 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as MANIAS NAILS, 815 E. LOMITA AVE, APT #13, GLENDALE, CA 91205. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MA- NIA SARDARIAN, 815 E. LOMITA AVE, APT #13, GLENDALE, CA 91205 This Business is being con- ducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the ficti- tious business name or names listed on (Date)3/30/2006. /s/: MANIA SARDARIAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0681235 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as MADE U LOOK TWICE, 940 E. DOMINGUEZ ST, SUITE B, CARSON, CA 90746. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : DEIRDRA MONIQUE WILLIAMS, 1863 E. HELMICK ST, CARSON, CA 90746 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the ficti- tious business name or names listed on (Date)3/30/2006. /s/: DEIRDRA WILLIAMS

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/30/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/10/2006, 4/17/2006, 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0658295 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as JUJULITA MINI- MARKET, 1726 W. 7TH ST, LA, CA 90017. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MARICELA LARITA, 1561 S. HARVARD BLVD., LA, CA 90006 This Busi- ness is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: MARICELA LARITA

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0681285 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as J.L MEAT MAR- KET, 2131 N. BROADWAY AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90031. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : DOROTEI GENARO LEON, 16448 INYO ST, LA PUENTE, CA 91744 This Business is being con- ducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the ficti- tious business name or names listed on (Date)8/1/2002. /s/: DOROTEO G. LEON

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 8/1/2002. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/10/2006, 4/17/2006, 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0669315 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as FAITHS GIFT SHOP, FAITHS, 666 1/2 E. SACRAMENTO ST, AL- TADENA, CA 91001. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : SHELLEY ROSEMARIE MCKEEHAN, 666 1/2 E. SACRAMENTO ST, ALTADENA, CA 91001 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: SHELLEY R. MCKEEHAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0658251 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as CREATIVINTENT, 4848 RAY COURT, LOS ANGELES, CA 90041. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ROBERT MACMULLAN, 4848 RAY COURT, LOS ANGELES, CA 90041 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: ROBERT MACMULLAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0681162 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as ARTI JEWELRY AND MANUFACTURING, 815 E. LOMITA AVE, APT #13, GLENDALE, CA 91205. The full name of reg- istrant(s) is/are : ARTOUR MANOKIAN, 815 E. LO- MITA AVE, APT #13, GLENDALE, CA 91205. This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)3/30/2006. /s/: ARTOUR MANOKIAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0669448 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as ANYWAY BAIL BONDS, GOT BAIL BONDS, 965 VIGNES ST, #12, LA, CA 90012. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JOHN GERARD CORCORAN, 17421 CHAPPARAL LN, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92649 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)12/5/2006. /s/: JOHN CORCORAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0658111 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as A.S.A.P. AP- PRAISAL, 3139 LA PLATA AVE, HACIENDA HTS, CA 91745. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : DAVID WANG, 3139 LA PLATA AVE, HACIENDA HTS, CA 91745 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant com- menced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)1/1/2006. /s/: DAVID WANG

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 03/28/06. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/10/2006, 4/17/2006, 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0722519 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as ProPaint, AI #/ON C2810543, 1508 17TH STREET, 2ND FLOOR, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404. The full name of regis- trant(s) is/are : PREMIER TEN THIRTY ONE CAPITAL CORP, 1508 17TH STREET, 2ND FLOOR, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404 This Business is being con- ducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the ficti- tious business name or names listed on (Date)1/1/2006. /s/: PREMIER TEN THIRTY ONE CAPITAL CORP, CEO, RYAN BRISTOL

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 1/1/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/10/2006, 4/17/2006, 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0722522 FIRST FILING. The following per- son(s) is (are) doing business as SHAFIA PHOTO, 535 OCEAN AVE, #10D, SANTA MONICA, CA 90402. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : EH- SAN SHAFIA, 535 OCEAN AVE, #10D, SANTA MON- ICA, CA 90402 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the ficti- tious name or names listed herein.. /s/: EHSAN SHAFIA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/4/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTI- TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/10/2006, 4/17/2006, 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006

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The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are: BUDDHAS BELLY LA (#2) LLC. The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at: 201-205 BROADWAY, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. Type of License(s) Applied for: 41 - ON-SALE BEER AND WINE - EATING PLACE. Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control INGLEWOOD. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS 04/24/06, 05/01/06, 05/08/06

Statement of Abandonment of Use of Fictitious Business Name Document Record # 06 0812904 Current File No. 04 1903657 State of California, County of Los Angeles The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious Business name: JEFF JONES MUSIC located at 5602 HAZELBROOK AVE, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712 The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 07/26/04 In the county of LOS ANGELES. ALAN AUDIO WORKS, LLC, 5602 HAZELBROOK AVE, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712 This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY /s/ JEFFREY ALAN JONES This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/19/06. Published: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS 04/24/06, 05/01/06, 05/08/06, 05/15/06

Statement of Abandonment of Use of Fictitious Business Name Document Record # 06 0856807 Current File No. 05 1663247 State of California, County of Los Angeles The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious Business name: Integrity Realty Group, The Integrity Group, Integrity Realty located at 6101 W. Centinela Avenue, Suite #170, Culver City, CA 90230 The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 1/12/05 In the county of LOS ANGELES. Erica M. Thomas-Leigh This business is conducted by: an individual /s/ Erica M. Thomas-Leigh This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/19/06. Published: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS 04/24/06, 05/01/06, 05/08/06, 05/15/06

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0856812 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as INTEGRITY REALTY GROUP, INTEGRITY REALTY, THE INTEGRITY GROUP, AI #/ON C2694186, 6101 W. CENTINELA AVE, SUITE #170, CULVER CITY, CA 90230. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : INTEGRITY MORTGAGE FINANCE, INC, 6101 W. CENTINELA AVE, SUITE #170, CULVER CITY, CA 90230 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)6/15/2005. /s:/ INTEGRITY MORTGAGE FINANCE, INC., PRESIDENT/CEO, JONATHAN W. CONEY II

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/15/2005. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0856811 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as INTEGRITY MORTGAGE FINANCE, THE INTEGRITY MORTGAGE FINANCE, AI #/ON C2694186, 6101 W. CENTINELA AVE, SUITE #170, CULVER CITY, CA 90230. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : INTEGRITY MORTGAGE FINANCE, INC., 6101 W. CENTINELA AVE, SUITE #170, CULVER CITY, CA 90230 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)6/15/2005. /s:/ INTEGRITY MORTGAGE FINANCE, INC., PRESIDENT/CEO, JONATHAN W. CONEY II

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/15/2005. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0878104 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DIALOGUE, STAR-TADIALOGUE, 924 10TH ST, #1, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : PATRICK O'NEAL, 924 10TH ST, #1, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ PATRICK O'NEAL

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0878103 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PACIFIC SMOG CHECK & TEST ONLY, 2420 #A, LINCOLN BLVD., SANTA MONICA, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : WILLIAM B. HENRIQUEZ, 480 LAURIE LN, #6, THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91360 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ WILL HENRIQUEZ

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/21/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0878102 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SPORK, SPORK ADVERTISING, 927 2ND STREET, #2, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : GRAHAM MCCANN, 927 2ND STREET, #2, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/17/2006. /s:/ GRAHAM MCCANN This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/21/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0878101 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SAPLING INVESTMENTS, 1420 FRANKLIN ST, APT B, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JOSEPH N. LEDOUX, 1420 FRANKLIN ST, APT B, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404, NICOLE GAGNE LEDOUX, 1420 FRANKLIN ST, APT B, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404 This Business is being conducted by, husband and wife. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/11/2006. /s:/ JOSEPH N. LEDOUX, NICOLE GAGNE LEDOUX This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 04/21/06. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0681864 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as EXPERIENCE US . NET, SANCHEZ MIRA COMPUTER WORKS, 4475 ROSEWOOD AVE, #211, LOS ANGELES, CA 90004. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JUANITO M. DE GUZMAN, 4475 ROSEWOOD AVE, #211, LOS ANGELES, CA 90004, CAROL R. DE GUZMAN, 4475 ROSEWOOD AVE, #211, LOS ANGELES, CA 90004 This Business is being conducted by, husband and wife. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/5/2006. /s:/ JUANITO M. DE GUZMAN, CAROL R. DE GUZMAN

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 03/30/06. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0804705 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MORTGAGE CENTER, MORTGAGE CENTER OF AMERICA, AI #/ON 2178620, 201 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, #306, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MORTGAGE CENTER OF AMERICA, INC. (A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION), 890 OAK GROVE ROAD, CONCORD, CA 94518 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/12/1999. /s:/ MORTGAGE CENTER OF AMERICA, INC., PRESIDENT/BROKER, WILLIAM J. HAND JR.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0753571 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as AERLUXE, SORACE, AERLUXE.COM, AI #/ON 200608110005, 13428 MAXELLA AVENUE, #179, MARINA DEL REY, CA 90292. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : THIRTY D, LLC, 13428 MAXELLA AVENUE, #179, MARINA DEL REY, CA 90292 This Business is being conducted by, a limited liability. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ THIRTY D, LLC, MANAGER, DAWN SORACE This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/6/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0802284 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as US TALENT PAGES, US TALENT SOURCE, THE BUYERS GALLERY, 1842 W. IMPERIAL HWY, LA, CA 90047. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ANDREW BALK-COM, 353 MAC ARTHUR BLVD, OAKLAND, CA 94610, LEKAN SALAAM, 9701 S. 6TH AVENUE, INGLEWOOD, CA 90305 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ ANDREW BALK-COM, LEKAN SALAAM

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0776622 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TRIPPLE 7 1/2, 7050 GREENLEAF AVE, WHITTIER, CA 90602. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : PARANZEM PAULINE SAROYAN, 1947 HENDEE ST, WEST COVINA, CA 91792, DEANNA LYNN GARCIA, 1947 HENDEE ST, WEST COVINA, CA 91792 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/10/2006. /s:/ PARANZEM PAULINE SAROYAN, DEANNA LYNN GARCIA

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0783215 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as KT INVESTMENTS, 1658 EDM ST, CARSON, CA 90746. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : BYRON K. LOUIS, 1658 EDM ST, CARSON, CA 90746, TERRY RUE WONG, 1658 EDM ST, CARSON, CA 90746 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)1/30/2006. /s:/ BYRON K. LOUIS, TERRY RUE WONG

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 1/30/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0770682 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DOVE LIMO, 7222 WASHINGTON AVE, WHITTIER, CA 90606. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MIRIAM I. BARRA, 7222 WASHINGTON AVE, WHITTIER, CA 90606 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ MIRIAM IBARRA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/7/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0812901 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as THE OPTICAL SPECIALIST, 155 W. MANCHESTER BLVD., INGLEWOOD, CA 90301. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : RAUL MARTINEZ, 9319 PACE AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90002 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ RAUL

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MARTINEZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/13/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0812966 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as KING'S SERVICES, 20561 SKOURAS DR, WINNETKA, CA 91306. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MIKE KING, 20561 SKOURAS DR, WINNETKA, CA 91306 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ MIKE KING

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0767791 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SUPER GEMS, 17515-D COLIMA RD, CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA 91748. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : NGHI TRAN, 1653 PORIDGEPORT, WEST COVINA, CA 91791, LINH DUONG, 1653 PORIDGEPORT, WEST COVINA, CA 91791 This Business is being conducted by, husband and wife. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)2/28/2001. /s:/ NGHI TRAN, LINH DUONG This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 2/28/2001. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0767646 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as R.B. ORNAMENTAL IRON WORKS, 3706 WITTIER BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90022. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : RICARDO BANUELOS, 22835 OLD ELSI-NORA RD, PERRIS, CA 92570 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)1/1/2006. /s:/ RICARDO BANUELOS This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/7/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0776523 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PRIMETIME FINANCIAL LENDING, 20367 VENTURA BLVD., #204, WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91364. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : VULCAN FINANCIAL CORP, 525 E. COLORADO BLVD., PH FLOOR, PASADENA, CA 91101 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)3/29/2006. /s:/ VULCAN FINANCIAL, CEO, AMIR NASS

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/29/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0776515 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MERCENARY ROOFING, 6821 SEVERN DR, PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JOSE BERNAL CASTILLO, 6807 CHANSLOR AVE, APT F, BELL, CA 90201 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ JOSE BERNAL CASTILLO

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0802386 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as A-1 MOTEL, 8226 SANTA FE AVE., HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : YOGESH KAPOOR, 8226 SANTA FE AVE., HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255, DIPIKA KAPOOR, 8226 SANTA FE AVE., HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255 This Business is being conducted by, husband and wife. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/1/2006. /s:/ YOGESH KAPOOR, DIPIKA KAPOOR

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0776559 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ANNA JOCE ICE CREAM, 4642 ORANGE ST., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JOSE DE JESUS MIRAMONTES H., 4642 ORANGE ST., PICO RIVERA, CA 90660 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ JOSE DE JESUS MIRAMONTES

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0813002 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as B.A.B.S TRAVELING CLOSET, 8567 VIA AMORITA, DOWNEY, CA 90241. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MARICELLA ROONEY, 8567 VIA AMORITA, DOWNEY, CA 90241 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ MARICELLA Z. ROONEY

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0789034 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BENITZ TOWING, 823 N. CHESTNUT AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90004. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : FREDDY BENITZ, 823 N. CHESTNUT AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90004 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ FREDDY BENITZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/11/2006. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 4/24/2006, 5/1/2006, 5/8/2006, 5/15/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0770685 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BRECCORT & ASSOCIATES INC, AI #/ON 2512949, 3355 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 103, LOS ANGELES, CA 90010. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JEFFERY RICHARD CONSTRUCTION INC, 3355 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 103, LOS ANGELES, CA 90010 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ JEFFERY RICHARD CONSTRUCTION INC, PRESIDENT

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0813032 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CARMEN'S EVENT AND PROMOTION, 11720 MAGNOLIA ST, EL MONTE, CA, 91732. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MARIA DEL CARMEN CORONEL, 11720 MAGNOLIA ST, EL MONTE, CA, 91732 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed:

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Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s:/ MARIA DEL CARMEN CORONEL

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 0783214 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MARK WRIGHT PAINTING, 5350 EL PARQUE ST, LONG BEACH, CA 90815. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MARK EUGENE WRIGHT, 2133 LASSEN DR, SAN JACINTO, CA 92583 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)03/1976. /s:/ MARK E. WRIGHT

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