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“JIM DAVIS BEAUTIFICATION DAY!”

Who was Jim Davis? Mr. Davis was a retired Captain from the Los Angeles County Fire Department. He was an active member of the Hacienda Heights community during his retirement which gained him much respect that he was voted as President of the Hacienda Heights Improvement Association about 22 years ago. He was instrumental in organizing the Interfaith Council, a nonprofit organization composed of various churches and congregations who gathered to share and exchange ideas in making Hacienda Heights an interactive community. One of those projects was to beautify the streets in celebrating America’s 4th of July Parade! When Jim Davis passed away, he was honored by community leaders by naming the beautification project in his name.

On June 29, 2019 – Saturday morning, the Annual Jim Davis Beautification Day took place at the meeting grounds of the Hacienda Heights Baptist Church located on 2100 So. Stimson Avenue, a centralized area in cleaning Stimson Avenue. I want to welcome newcomers to this years’ event the Great Commission Church International, thank you Ruth Chen! Also, thank our regular volunteers from Hsi Lai Temple/BLIA, Kiwanis Key Club & Kiwins, LDS Mormon Church (located on Colima), and Scout Troops # 789, #710, #620 for their continued support. All volunteers were instructed to bring tools such as brooms, rake and dust pan while the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works issued gloves, vest and bags with ties. Everyone arrived before 8:00 A.M. for check in to receive a “Certificate of Appreciation” for their community service to be issued in two weeks of the event at our local library. Those HHIA Board Members that assisted in the event are; Jeffrey Lin, Adriana Quinones, David Salcedo, Scott Martin - President and former Board Member/President – Mike Williams. A surprise guest was Erika Flores, Field Deputy from Congressman Gil Cisnersos office, arrived to assist in the event. Thank you all!

Additional behind the scene agencies to be especially acknowledge are Mr. Ed Chavez from the Upper San Gabriel Municipal Water District (USGMWD) who donated over 100 water bottles, Valley Vista Services, Mr. David Perez – Manager, who donated granola bars and bananas delivered by VVS representative Angie Valenzuela and Hacienda Heights Women’s Club, Carol Nixt – President sent member Sigi Williams to bring boxes of yummy donutes! All donated to our dedicated volunteers who give up their Saturday morning in cleaning the streets! Also, special thanks to the Hacienda Heights Baptist Church, Pastor Vinh Luu, who

open their doors to the community for several years now not only for this event but for the 4th of July event without hesitation.

I am fortunate and honored to know such generous people that support many of HHIA events. Without any of you, the Jim Davis Beautification Day would not have been so successful. The event grows every year in numbers. Last year, there were 170 volunteers. This year, volunteers amounted to 283! This is teamwork in every way. Thank you all for your efforts, support and well wishes. You made it happen!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lucy V. Pedregon, HHIA Event Organizer & Public Relations.