Debbie Torres

Candidate for Reappointment to the Castroville Cemetery District Board

I am seeking reappointment to the Castroville Cemetery District Board. It has been a privilege to serve the district, and I am committed to continuing my work in preserving and enhancing the services provided by the cemetery for our community.

Professional and Community Background

I have been actively involved in various community and leadership roles, including serving on a Steering committee for Safe Routes to School Through TAMC, where I help improve and promote safe walking and biking paths for our students. Additionally, I am an active volunteer at San Pablo de Colores Church, where I contribute to a range of initiatives that support our local faith community. I also help with several community projects in Castroville, collaborating with residents and organizations to address the needs of our growing town.

I am also proud to be part of the Blue Zones Committee at North Monterey County High School, working to support healthy lifestyles and sustainable community practices. My diverse experiences have strengthened my commitment to serving the public and enhancing the quality of life in our area.

Commitment to Castroville and the Cemetery District Having lived in Castroville for 64 years, my father was a former manager (Nick Torres) in which My father and mother taught us to be involved in my community of Castroville. I deeply understand the importance of preserving our local cemetery as a place of respect, remembrance, and peace. As a dedicated member of various local committees, I bring a strong sense of service and a focus on community wellbeing, both of which are key to maintaining the dignity and sustainability of the Castroville Cemetery District.

Achievements & Contributions

During my previous term on the Castroville Cemetery District Board, I am a member of the California Association of Public Cemeteries.

I have had various training courses through CAPC. I have achieved great knowledge in cemetery management, community engagement, or preservation efforts. I have always worked collaboratively with fellow board members, local organizations, and residents to improve our district's services and ensure that the cemetery continues to be a meaningful and respectful place for families. I alongside the other trustees and our manager, had our first ever Dio De Los Muertos in November, I was a great success. We are planning to have it again this year.

Why I Seek Reappointment

I am passionate about continuing my work on the Castroville Cemetery District Board to uphold the high standards of service and ensure the cemetery remains a place of honor for future generations. My experience working with community groups, schools, and local organizations has given me valuable insights into the needs of our residents, and I believe I can bring fresh ideas to help meet those needs. I respectfully ask for your support in my reappointment, and I look forward to the opportunity to continue serving our community.

Thank you for your consideration,

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