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MIRA MESA TO HOLD SUNDAY FUNDAY TO CELEBRATE A RESIDENT'S 109TH BIRTHDAY Councilmember Chris Cate to Recognize Khen Ngo's with District 6 Proclamation

San Diego, CA: 0.0173% of Americans live longer than 100 years, and Mira Mesa resident, Khen Ngo, makes up that microscopic percentage. In 1911, the City of San Diego was home to approximately 40,000 residents, construction started in Balboa Park for the Panama-California Exposition, and the world's first successful seaplane flight was made in San Diego's bay.

Khen Ngo and his entire family fled from Vietnam in a boat after the Fall of Saigon. After living in the Philippines and Guam, they settled in California, where he became an American citizen. Khen Ngo has been a San Diegan for 35 years. In constant pursuit of the American Dream, Khen was a small business owner for most of his life. A former recreational soccer player, Khen attributes his longevity to the sport and daily cups of green and jasmine tea. He lives in Mira Mesa with his two daughters, son-in-law, and is a longtime member of Good Shepherd Catholic Church parish. Khen and his late wife, Sam, were married for 67 years, and have seven children, 21 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren.

"I am humbled that I have been invited to declare a day in Khen Ngo's honor. Mira Mesa, San Diego, and our nation are better because of the contributions from individuals like Khen," stated Councilmember Chris Cate.

Due to Khen Ngo's Stage 4 Lung Cancer battle, the <u>Mira Mesa Town Council</u> has gathered stacks of cards and well wishes, which will be displayed on his front lawn for Khen to see from a safe distance.

For the proclamation presentation, Khen will be positioned inside his home, in the front window.

- WHAT: Proclamation Presentation
- WHERE:Mira Mesa
(Address provided upon confirmation of attendance)San Diego, CA 92126

WHEN: Sunday, September 20, 2020 at 12:30 p.m.



Photo courtesy of family