

00:00:15:11 - 00:00:18:23

Unknown

You need a brand new home here in town.

00:00:18:29 - 00:00:19:24

Speaker 2

And what a beautiful.

00:00:19:24 - 00:00:26:23

Unknown

Facility that you have. And you have for the entire community. The bathroom, my love down here.

00:00:26:25 - 00:00:28:11

Speaker 2

Please do. So. This is a great.

00:00:28:11 - 00:00:29:28

Speaker 3

Facility and a great day.

00:00:30:00 - 00:00:41:07

Unknown

For the G.I. Forum and for families and I would like to thank all of you on behalf of the American V.A., on the very best. Today, we will.

00:00:41:07 - 00:00:42:12

Speaker 3

Understand the grand opening.

00:00:42:12 - 00:00:49:20

Unknown

Of this facility will serve as the main headquarters for the American G.I. War, where they will offer very services and.

00:00:49:20 - 00:00:51:23

Speaker 3

Benefits for community businesses.

00:00:51:26 - 00:00:59:01

Unknown

And not just a personal note. It is my pleasure. In fact, it is my honor to serve as your master of ceremonies this afternoon.

00:00:59:03 - 00:00:59:27

Speaker 3

As many of you know.

00:01:00:00 - 00:01:30:03

Unknown

I have very much like you, many of you know, my father, who was a member of the American uniform. And I'm very proud of the American G.I. for my very fond memories. And I don't know if you recall, of some of the early activities, the activities around events offered by the American G.I., and it served as a conduit and an outlet for activism around those.

00:01:30:06 - 00:01:30:14

Speaker 3

Coming.

00:01:30:14 - 00:01:40:20

Unknown

Back from World War Two when the war was withdrawn and came back after saving the world and seeing in our neighborhood only came during.

00:01:40:20 - 00:01:47:06

Speaker 3

The time that they were born fighting our nation in battles and came back and started to fight.

00:01:47:06 - 00:02:12:25

Unknown

Their own battles. Here when civil rights and equal rights for all of us. You know, my heartfelt thanks to all the men and women in uniform. Thank you for having me. How to better Express the image of the Attorney General Forum. I would like to read through their mission statement to better inform you how this brand will benefit the entire community.

00:02:12:25 - 00:02:17:01

Speaker 3

Quote It is the mission of the San Jose chapter of the American.

00:02:17:01 - 00:02:34:11

Unknown

G.I. Board to preserve the dignity of the whole community and encourage education and recruitment and the role community leaders in and about striving for a promise to the future. The American Dream.

00:02:34:14 - 00:02:38:20

Speaker 3

Great is creating a better tomorrow for all of our youth.

00:02:38:22 - 00:02:47:16

Unknown

Your and nationwide deserve your attention. More about the brigade commander of the East Valley.

00:02:47:16 - 00:02:52:16

Speaker 3

Chapter Sergeant Major retired Richard Martinez, who will introduce.

00:02:52:18 - 00:03:55:00

Unknown

You to his award winning column. Sergeant Major. Yeah.

00:03:55:02 - 00:03:56:19

Unknown

Yeah.

00:03:56:21 - 00:04:16:03

Speaker 3

Right. Leading us now in the Pledge of Allegiance to our great country, the National Youth Vice Chair, U.S.A. Duncan, everyone, I don't lead from.

00:04:16:05 - 00:04:43:21

Unknown

Pledge of Allegiance by you already salute. I pledge. I live in America, and I wanted an individual with me and definitely a strong thank you.

00:04:43:23 - 00:05:14:22

Speaker 3

Now, the champion of the San Jose chapter, the New York Daniel, will lead us in the invocation for May. This is the prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi or maybe an instrument of light. He or there hatred. Let me throw love or there's injury. Pardon? Or there is down faith or there's despair. or there's darkness, light or there's sadness.

00:05:14:25 - 00:05:29:05

Speaker 3

Joy. Do you mind, Mr. Grant? I do. Not so much seek to be consoled and to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved, as to where it is in.

00:05:29:06 - 00:05:30:00

Speaker 2

Giving.

00:05:30:02 - 00:05:58:00

Speaker 3

And receive. It is in part that we are born and it is a dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen. I'd like to just say a small prayer. I would like to thank God for giving us the courage, the faith and the strength to. You have had built this magnificent building, and we're building our dream of the American G.I. Paul.

00:05:58:02 - 00:06:38:06

Unknown

Thank you. I mean.

00:06:38:09 - 00:07:02:22

Speaker 3

These are indeed magnificent facilities here, and they're being dedicated today for the community in general in tribute And the men and women that make up the American Legion form beginning in 1948, when Dr. Henry Garcia took the task of ensuring equality for all returning veterans and later on for communities in general. This fine tradition has been followed by returning veterans throughout the country.

00:07:02:24 - 00:07:23:03

Speaker 3

There can be no better tribute that you as a people can give. Your heroes Reason to have more is by directing a community where all are welcome, where he who is the least of our brothers can seek refuge

and comfort. Such is the legacy of the American G.I. Forum, and such have been the many programs of this chapter is carried out to the benefit of the San Jose community.

00:07:23:05 - 00:07:31:05

Speaker 3

I've been involved in education, substance abuse, recovery, instilling community pride.

00:07:31:07 - 00:07:35:22

Unknown

And advocacy for all Latino.

00:07:35:25 - 00:07:55:12

Speaker 3

It is very easy to be critical and a lot harder to make things happen and be proactive within what seems to be insurmountable odds. Tomorrow. They are Many of the movers and shakers in one way or another are responsible for us having a celebration today. Let me just invite some of these folks here to share a few thoughts with us.

00:07:55:12 - 00:08:17:13

Speaker 3

First of all, I would like to introduce to you a man named John Forbes dream come true. For over 40 years, the members of the American G.I. Forum have dreamed of having their own building. When he became chairman in 1994, he pledged to the members that the organization would have a new home during his administration. The dream didn't quite happen that fast.

00:08:17:13 - 00:08:44:28

Speaker 3

Dreams don't often materialize as quickly as we would wish. When his term as chairman expired, he continued, As chairman of the reforms committee and moved to head his efforts as head of the building committee were recognized by the members of the San Jose G.I. Forum in 1997 and 1998, when his peers voted him as the outstanding member of the year with the support of all members and with headstrong persistence, dedication and leadership.

00:08:44:28 - 00:09:09:03

Speaker 3

He took the bull by the horns and showed us the way to realize our dream. Ladies and gentlemen, Mr. Able, welcome.

00:09:09:06 - 00:09:10:27

Speaker 2

Acknowledged.

00:09:10:29 - 00:09:17:04

Unknown

That we got a lot of help from the community. We don't have any county funding.

00:09:17:04 - 00:09:48:13

Speaker 2

State funding or any kind of funding for this facility. But the exception that my friend Mr. and City Council member from District seven, but otherwise this money to build with the money and property that we have accumulated over the years and a lot of partners when we were still making money. Anyway, I'd like to start with acknowledgment first, I would like to nominate somebody that that people don't even know how to pick from the resume.

00:09:48:15 - 00:09:56:18

Speaker 2

I'm talking about the late Alan Greenspan guys in 1983 under.

00:09:56:18 - 00:10:07:15

Unknown

Ronald Reagan and told us, you know, and if you want to do the that table and I said, I don't know anything about that, but we will try and it again.

00:10:07:20 - 00:10:30:20

Speaker 2

And his family and a whole renovation went out of his way to help everybody know him and tell them. And from that year on, he always told me, I mean, you know, you have to think a little favor of in America. And it was because of him that we became successful with them and we accumulated enough money to develop.

00:10:30:26 - 00:11:12:10

Speaker 2

So and I like to acknowledge it. Many family members are here. Anybody, anybody that I'd like to acknowledge that he's a board member. And as this project started, he's been here every day. I mean, everybody. And he's the one to make sure that every construction, not because that you need to cut corners and that's just the rank of a hero.

00:11:12:13 - 00:11:23:10

Unknown

And so giving a home.

00:11:23:13 - 00:11:25:12

Speaker 2

I will not acknowledge.

00:11:25:14 - 00:11:32:13

Unknown

That a person I grew up and it's not his daughters are going to know. They got us a small smile where we can do that and now.

00:11:32:15 - 00:11:38:04

Speaker 2

It was small. But to us, any kind of money can help us act on it.

00:11:38:07 - 00:11:47:21



Unknown

Now, if fellow.

00:11:47:26 - 00:11:53:11

Speaker 2

Spent a year or 20 more than knew from from across the sheet metal.

00:11:53:13 - 00:12:10:26

Unknown

They have contributed almost nice hundred and got it all from Castro plumbing companies service.

00:12:10:26 - 00:12:15:03

Speaker 2

Centers here we like to acknowledge it over there. They have donated.

00:12:15:03 - 00:12:26:01

Unknown

Items back to an amount of time going to.

00:12:26:04 - 00:12:28:08

Speaker 2

Have cancer or.

00:12:28:10 - 00:12:43:04

Unknown

Here. That's my goal that they never really me that you know a lot of things that also I like to.

00:12:43:06 - 00:12:46:29

Speaker 2

Develop resources maybe or all of the help and assistance that I was.

00:12:46:29 - 00:12:55:09

Unknown

Given the development.

00:12:55:11 - 00:13:09:20

Speaker 2

I like to know that California bank. And so when at that time Sumitomo Bank and now I couldn't find out if anybody here is from from Cuba coming back because have that's.

00:13:09:22 - 00:13:23:09

Unknown

When I more I like to acknowledge anybody who care about my heritage Bank of Commerce.

00:13:23:12 - 00:13:24:21

Speaker 2

They what they were supposed.

00:13:24:23 - 00:13:29:22

Unknown

To know what this building sits on if anybody.

00:13:29:23 - 00:13:35:13

Speaker 2

Here from you like to acknowledge that they beside.

00:13:35:15 - 00:13:49:10

Unknown

The loan and they gave us the number of times they also donated \$50,000 for an apartment. Thank you.

00:13:49:12 - 00:14:01:15

Speaker 2

I like to know that story because everybody's working on raising some kind of money for me. And and at this time, I want to not acknowledge in my head of that, why are you.

00:14:01:18 - 00:14:09:07

Unknown

Don't and I could not vote.

00:14:09:09 - 00:14:27:26

Speaker 2

Mobile 393 which is the first unit that of and now Martinez which is the president one of our board members for the weekend. They took the time to come here and donate to pay with money to happen to all but often they came up that local without putting it. I tried to think about this time ally.

00:14:27:26 - 00:14:41:01

Unknown

You hear about a cardinal, you hear it.

00:14:41:02 - 00:14:49:01

Speaker 2

But anyway they donated substantial amount of funds for that. No. God, I'd like to thank them.

00:14:49:01 - 00:14:57:15

Unknown

It is time. I'd like to.

00:14:57:18 - 00:15:19:10

Speaker 2

Thank General Manager. Which one? For my family. They lost everything down. They're going to pick all the problems in the back here. It's going to be nothing but they're going to pay all the bad and all that and then all the ground for us at this time and all you hear from general manager there, not a.

00:15:19:12 - 00:15:27:24

Unknown

Lot of and I have to.

00:15:27:24 - 00:15:44:02

Speaker 2

Say like knowledge of anybody here for the Mexican corporation, these are those people they've donated that on a monitoring score of thank you.

00:15:44:05 - 00:15:48:06

Unknown

I also would like to know that.

00:15:48:08 - 00:15:55:11

Speaker 2

From the chief on and that's Mr. Sandoval. Understand they're not what you need to have. This event that took the time.

00:15:55:13 - 00:16:08:27

Unknown

Was to run out and give it however that.

00:16:09:00 - 00:16:26:10

Speaker 2

Your family is. Anybody here from India, they have a payment. They want to donate the Reverend James Morales or whatever.

00:16:26:13 - 00:16:29:12

Unknown

I just want you to keep one thing in mind.

00:16:29:14 - 00:16:44:03

Speaker 2

Next time you drive a little bit long and everything will be grown, they'll be not in the back. So we just needed the opportunity to show the hold up and we're done in front of them. You know, we got to get into the business. I'm starting to read this thing, so thank.

00:16:44:03 - 00:16:55:01

Unknown

You very much. Thank you. Abel I'd like to see if we can acknowledge.

00:16:55:01 - 00:16:57:20

Speaker 3

Whoever designed this dance floor. I'd like to shake that person.

00:16:57:20 - 00:17:09:08

Unknown

Can look at that. A good. At this time, I'd like to introduce.

00:17:09:10 - 00:17:19:18

Speaker 3

Robert Cannon, chairman of the American G.I. Forum. Robert Geller, in support of the G.I. for many, is proud to serve his community with loyalty.

00:17:19:20 - 00:17:43:05

Unknown

And infinite dedication. I never thought the era and I'm the chairman of the. But I want to welcome all the volunteer member and all the people who made that possible.

00:17:43:08 - 00:17:49:04

Unknown

They've already been behind the of wounded.

00:17:49:04 - 00:18:16:22

Speaker 3

And I'm gonna give you an apology. But you know, a lot of the people that are in our membership meeting and usually the same people all the time to increase and volunteer all the time we hope we can. I also want to welcome our special guests getting behind me or taking their Saturday off. And I don't he could have done something else, but without being.

00:18:16:22 - 00:18:23:10

Unknown

Here and helping the college are going to go home and we're going to be calling home now.

00:18:23:13 - 00:18:29:15

Speaker 3

And all we have to do now is all of us get together and.

00:18:29:17 - 00:18:47:09

Unknown

You know, knowing what we have created here and hopefully we can get more members. And I joined up about eight years ago on a whim, basically just to help out. And one of the best way the world, you know.

00:18:47:11 - 00:18:48:04

Speaker 3

I got involved.

00:18:48:04 - 00:18:53:16

Unknown

Again and I, I haven't regretted one minute of it and.

00:18:53:22 - 00:19:05:26

Speaker 3

I enjoyed it a lot of my time. But I enjoyed making you feel good. And hopefully a lot of the people that are out there. I have some spare time and can always use a good idea.

00:19:05:28 - 00:19:15:06

Unknown

I'm going to help so that you know, I think able to tell people that I'm not going to, you know, but I also want to.

00:19:15:08 - 00:19:16:01

Speaker 3

Bring something about.

00:19:16:01 - 00:19:45:00

Unknown

That matter. Molly, you know, you talking about putting together and I want to make sure that you get some of the document, but I hope everyone is enjoying themselves because I know it's a pretty warm day. We have the doors open, but physically you find out.

00:19:45:03 - 00:19:45:26

Speaker 3

Whenever we have some.

00:19:45:26 - 00:19:58:09

Unknown

And I'm going to kind of be pretty cool. So it's not that I'm comfortable in the long Labor Day. So hopefully, you know, will read some of the weather.

00:19:58:11 - 00:20:11:23

Speaker 3

Anyway, I'm going to give a personal Thank you. Abel. Well, Martina and Frank over, you know, you know, my personal background for making a lot of this possible. They give up a lot.

00:20:11:23 - 00:20:27:04

Unknown

Of their time, I think. I think they're related to, you know, for them. And I spend a lot of time there. It was kind of hard, you know, for a lot of the time anyway.

00:20:27:04 - 00:20:31:22

Speaker 3

And that's about it. Thank you very much. And I hope you enjoy yourself.

00:20:31:24 - 00:20:41:24

Unknown

And that's probably. Thank you.

00:20:41:26 - 00:20:54:25

Speaker 3

Thank you, Robert. Our next speaker is the national commander of the American Legion or will you borrow? He hails from Seattle, Washington, Vietnam veteran Texan, now in his second term as commander of the American Legion are dedicated.



00:20:54:25 - 00:21:32:13

Unknown

More Americans are volunteers going about it on the way to be here today? It's great to be in Congress that yesterday and in pouring down rain. So I'm very pleased to be here with you. I am delighted that I need a favor for the day and a great moment. First, I want to let you know that the American G.I. Forum has been moving ahead of the forward.

00:21:32:15 - 00:21:56:04

Unknown

We have been doing a great deal of positive things throughout the country. You know, we now have our national headquarters in Denver, Colorado. I mean, a man like our National Guard commander was the Denver attending group in Washington, D.C., where I met with the Atlantic. I met with a lot of the Veterans Affairs.

00:21:56:09 - 00:22:04:22

Speaker 2

Now I got one individual and I want to let you know that one thing about our nation.

00:22:04:24 - 00:22:43:13

Unknown

We have an annual meeting in Washington, D.C. that is owned by the America we are part of. This bailout this year brought the three former P.O.W.s from Kosovo, and it was quite personal when you got them. You want me to mannerism behavior during their tour? You know what I mean? I want to thank the individuals who are responsible for building.

00:22:43:15 - 00:23:17:01

Unknown

I think it's a great vision for the American people. I think it's another demonstration that we, the Americans, we are in America, are, you know, our families are women support our efforts throughout this country. So I thank you very much. And I have one right now. I have 2 to 4. And you should be very proud of the young woman wearing your new.

00:23:17:04 - 00:24:43:07

Unknown

Why, Commander on the attack at our annual. We are more concerned. Come on, Iraq, please bear with me. Our man. More together. I need to share with you today at the news table. You see, I'm here at work and run here on the left side of table. By the way, of our founders.

00:24:43:10 - 00:24:46:17

Speaker 2

You guys know.

00:24:46:19 - 00:24:51:20

Unknown

The opportunities that we have in the future as they write this and give us an.

00:24:51:20 - 00:24:54:14

Speaker 3

Inspiration for the things that we Americans.

00:24:54:17 - 00:25:05:00

Speaker 2

Can become and will become. Certainly an example of this building as a forum for America. Giannis Antetokounmpo, Thank you very much.

00:25:05:03 - 00:25:13:02

Unknown

Ladies and gentlemen, thank you. But you still.

00:25:13:04 - 00:25:15:03

Speaker 2

Have a very exciting afternoon for everybody.

00:25:15:03 - 00:25:18:01

Speaker 3

And we're all very pleased to be here. But I think and please direct your.

00:25:18:01 - 00:25:27:08

Unknown

Attention to the stage. We have a lot of speakers who have worked very hard to make this event possible, so we'd like your attention up here, please.

00:25:27:10 - 00:25:42:13

Speaker 3

I would like to introduce the American G.I. Former California State Commander David Ring is an outstanding Hispanic community leader representing the G.I. Forum nationwide. David rendered unlimited support in the building. Thank you, David. Report. Please welcome.

00:25:42:19 - 00:25:54:22

Unknown

David.

00:25:54:25 - 00:26:17:11

Unknown

I welcome all of your in 1976 75. I was talking to one of our members and I was looking at this paper that we had and it had them and thinking about it. And I said, Why haven't kids.

00:26:17:14 - 00:26:24:11

Speaker 2

Are going to be talking to the when they're hoping to do the record that we're talking about? But anyway.

00:26:24:11 - 00:27:07:05

Unknown

We were talking about this picture of this paper that, you know, you can feel that if you want to have the young brains banging on this organization. I mean, what can I do? You all that are trying to get the part, you got to go out there looking for people to borrow money from and they don't do the job I could never think of doing at the time when we got up and we start getting stronger and gaining more united, we started putting things together and before long we got good support from someone in the community towards a man.

00:27:07:07 - 00:27:35:03

Unknown

Now in the, you know, and so now a dream come true is real hard to come over here and say that, you know, isn't it beautiful? Isn't it great that we so hard for all our talent, all and now it became a reality and you were born to go in. If you can think, if you can do it, it can be done.

00:27:35:04 - 00:27:47:18

Unknown

And the family chapter has done it and we've done it and we feel.

00:27:47:20 - 00:27:50:24

Speaker 3

You, David. We have several members of the city.

00:27:50:24 - 00:28:34:02

Unknown

Council over there to show it how. I'd like to welcome you back to the stage or your column. And as a City council member, District seven, everyone will be very, very pleased to say. But I'm very honored and proud to be here this morning, afternoon. And let me just take one minute to honor all of the members for their hard work and dedication.

00:28:34:04 - 00:29:02:14

Unknown

But today, today it is very important to build this great city like today. And let me close by saying appreciate and recognize the work of the people and the rest of the board, whatever. And thank you very much. Thank you, George. But even though George Junior has one of.

00:29:02:14 - 00:29:16:15

Speaker 3

The highest ratios of all the things accomplished. So thank you very much is out here.

00:29:16:18 - 00:29:19:08

Unknown

If you were here.

00:29:19:10 - 00:29:22:29

Speaker 3

Thank you for your support and your ear. And we like your words.

00:29:22:29 - 00:29:29:00

Unknown

We're going to you can make your way to the stage now. We will go on in the next speaker.

00:29:29:03 - 00:29:35:25

Speaker 3

Someone who is no stranger to building dedications recently here in the city of San Jose is the honorable.

00:29:35:25 - 00:30:08:24

Unknown

Manny Diaz, who was also just in my neighborhood recently dedicating the new community center and Joseph George Middle School. The honorable mention is done on the city Councilmember district number by I. You gave me more minutes per minute here. Let me tell you folks, after a month of British

people graduating our whole lives, you know, are very, very happy with everything I've been talking to you about.

00:30:08:27 - 00:30:29:03

Unknown

And for me, this is your 40th anniversary this year. 40th, 40 years. And I just want to have a home. I got three. I also want to thank you. Have more work like this.

00:30:29:03 - 00:30:31:00

Speaker 2

Okay.

00:30:31:03 - 00:30:49:06

Unknown

Further have more programing. They got a lot of boxes, but I think this is a great location and I look forward to work with them in the future. Thank you.

00:30:49:09 - 00:30:51:08

Speaker 2

Thank you. Man.

00:30:51:11 - 00:30:52:21

Speaker 3

I like introducing honorable.

00:30:52:22 - 00:30:58:29

Unknown

City job in the name of the City Council. The District three Women's Shelter, Support for the American G.I.. Time and time.

00:30:58:29 - 00:31:00:11

Speaker 3

Again, please welcome.

00:31:00:14 - 00:31:08:19

Unknown

The honorable Cynthia.

00:31:08:21 - 00:31:43:26

Unknown

Pleasure to be here with you today. I take a moment to reflect on something that was planned over and over again. I'm really fascinated, probably by George Junior. That is the company for us. But the one that and I know many of you say that, but when I decided to get involved in public service, I didn't have enough money to attend a workshop in Washington, DC that I really wanted to go to.

00:31:43:28 - 00:31:53:21

Unknown

And it was a forum that gave me my first scholarship. So after running in this building, I think about all the young people.

00:31:53:23 - 00:31:54:09

Speaker 2

That you're going.

00:31:54:09 - 00:32:01:11

Unknown

To help in the future to be successful. And I look forward to a partnership with all of you to.

00:32:01:11 - 00:32:09:05

Speaker 2

Make the world a better place for those that are coming after us, because now it's our turn to take up that mantle. And thank you for inviting.

00:32:09:05 - 00:32:14:04

Unknown

Me to be here.

00:32:14:07 - 00:32:40:03

Speaker 3

I guess it is. And you'll hear how they will move on. But to introduce a command of memorandum, the secretary of Veterans Affairs, the state of California.

00:32:40:05 - 00:32:45:23

Speaker 2

I wonder if I could have the attention of the people in the corner. I don't do respect for the audience.

00:32:45:23 - 00:32:50:20

Unknown

And and the distinguished.

00:32:50:23 - 00:32:51:25

Speaker 2

Members that we have back.

00:32:51:25 - 00:32:58:25

Unknown

Here. Can you guys hold out the noise?

00:32:58:27 - 00:33:02:25



Speaker 2

Can you hear me?

00:33:02:28 - 00:33:09:10

Speaker 2

And you hold on.

00:33:09:13 - 00:33:12:03

Unknown

Can we hold on? Hold, please.

00:33:12:05 - 00:33:50:00

Speaker 2

Thank you very much. I'd like to acknowledge all of my good friends that are here with us today. And then they got with a memory that they will that we're in Vicario or another, an old friend of mine that I haven't seen in about 30 years, Elizabeth Martinez over here and below, carry on in the back there was recently appointed by Governor Davis to be a member of the cabinet or co-sponsor of this job, and.

00:33:50:05 - 00:33:57:17

Unknown

My group and Michael Rondo, who have been incredible. But I would like to work.

00:33:57:19 - 00:34:02:19

Speaker 2

With Michael with the principle of why we were really when.

00:34:02:20 - 00:34:32:16

Unknown

I was going to be going to the left over to the center and told me to go the other way, I really credit Michael for why being here, what we're talking about over there. Hello. I would also like to acknowledge a quick.

00:34:32:18 - 00:34:34:17

Speaker 2

I did a party commander.

00:34:34:17 - 00:34:46:21

Unknown

For the VFW. I can remember 30 years ago when.

00:34:46:24 - 00:34:58:01

Speaker 2

We were situated on the Eisenhower. What do you hear in the shack?

00:34:58:04 - 00:35:09:20

Unknown

Located one refrigerator, right. With a child, with a big daddy, with a truck in the back. And Abel was in charge of nothing. We go.

00:35:09:22 - 00:35:10:25

Speaker 2

Hey, Bill, put the thing.

00:35:10:25 - 00:35:19:00

Unknown

Together and we will Avonmore is really we have a guy that that is a persevering If.

00:35:19:03 - 00:35:23:02

Speaker 2

He doesn't think of Port Arthur. Believe me, I know it cost me a lot of money.

00:35:23:05 - 00:35:38:12

Unknown

But it will You do within the framework of the general, not in the army and the private individual whether is go that can.

00:35:38:14 - 00:35:41:03

Speaker 2

Rebuild as a local.

00:35:41:03 - 00:36:02:13

Unknown

And not I don't know what we're going to finish the cultural center together and I do I think it's recognizing the role of culture and important and I think having this location here for that help with it.

00:36:02:15 - 00:36:03:28

Speaker 2

Hopefully, I think.

00:36:04:00 - 00:36:25:02

Unknown

Is going to be prominent in the community and it's going to wrap it up and should be been where will be in the future. Thank you very much.

00:36:25:05 - 00:36:27:08

Speaker 3

Next, I'd like to introduce Rey Ruiz.

00:36:27:13 - 00:37:19:12

Unknown

Community Development Resource Officer to the developer and construction manager of this project. I'm working very diligently with this project for the past three years as a personal developer, very seldom have the opportunity to develop a project that you have a the community and in this case community only developer, developer of the Santa Clara County is proud to be a part of it.

00:37:19:15 - 00:37:23:26

Unknown

One thing that I want to say is that several years ago from a.

00:37:23:26 - 00:37:24:19

Speaker 2

Very dear friend.

00:37:24:19 - 00:37:59:09

Unknown

Of mine, founder and president of the National Hispanic University, and it goes like this If your head and your heart can believe it, you can achieve it. No pure words or spoken words and love the effort that was made here. The GI Forum, thanking people for their hard to believe that they put their heart and soul into making it happen.

00:37:59:12 - 00:38:32:17

Unknown

Ladies and gentlemen, here it is. They've achieved more by selling to the community and I put my money where my mouth is, basically. And that is my daughter and her husband all have affection here and here. And I challenge everyone out there to think about any events that are coming up in your household to. Let people know that this facility is here every year.

00:38:32:17 - 00:38:42:20

Unknown

You do everything you can and enjoy it. God bless you all.

00:38:42:23 - 00:38:50:14

Speaker 3

Thank you. Our next speaker asked to be introduced by the dignitaries up here on the stage, but he is in our hearts when it comes to the state assembly.

00:38:50:20 - 00:39:21:15

Unknown

The honorable conduct of the president. Have you ever seen a dance floor like that? First of all, when I told one of my friends, I said to myself a fair amount of drama about that issue. A lot of the we will have to have more parties at the same because.

00:39:21:18 - 00:39:22:11

Speaker 2

You have your own.

00:39:22:11 - 00:39:28:22

Unknown

Home and you have the best part of the business building and the whole valley and.

00:39:28:24 - 00:39:35:04

Speaker 2

Lake region and using this facility is going to be the real judge.

00:39:35:07 - 00:39:41:16

Unknown

Of how you feel about the place. I've already at 11:00, I have a date to have a little one here.

00:39:41:23 - 00:39:48:18

Speaker 2

What do you think about that?

00:39:48:21 - 00:39:54:12

Unknown

You know, talk to you.

00:39:54:14 - 00:40:02:01

Unknown

I think that what the community did really move to the community that.

00:40:02:03 - 00:40:28:16

Speaker 2

If you really do want to come together and do a great forum, you not only by the goal of the warm shores, you came home when you found out that there was a problem because you're on the ground in our own country on the forum. And when you're here locally, here in the.

00:40:28:16 - 00:40:35:27

Unknown

City, in the county and representing this area, I would like you to the more.

00:40:35:29 - 00:40:58:23

Speaker 2

What you stand for is what would you fight for? I want you believe and I believe and I think it is right that the young people are here to represent you in the country and they see you and your accomplishments, your desire and your spirit, your politics, and you're trying.

00:40:58:26 - 00:41:08:12

Unknown

To bring them here.

00:41:08:14 - 00:41:17:13

Speaker 3

And thank like I'd like to at this time acknowledge several people in the audience. Re Kennedy District four or City Council.

00:41:17:13 - 00:41:24:17

Unknown

Chuck, thank you for being here. You'll be talking to candidate for the 15th District.

00:41:24:19 - 00:41:27:24

Speaker 3

You have forum member Bill.

00:41:27:27 - 00:41:32:21

Unknown

Low in the back. Andrea Carryover is the.

00:41:32:21 - 00:41:33:20

Speaker 3

California veteran.

00:41:33:20 - 00:41:40:05

Unknown

As a board member appointed by the governor of the federal you what.

00:41:40:07 - 00:41:42:14

Speaker 3

Kind of regional government attorney.

00:41:42:16 - 00:41:44:04

Speaker 2

For the United States Attorney's office.

00:41:44:05 - 00:41:52:15

Unknown

MacArthur Foundation recipient what you were you and Tony.

00:41:52:15 - 00:41:54:02

Speaker 2

Gallegos, past EEOC.

00:41:54:02 - 00:42:00:00

Speaker 3

Commissioner now a resident of L.A. but as commander of the National American Bill.

00:42:00:03 - 00:42:41:00

Unknown

I believe in going on the amount of the American American job for most of all of your life and have ever been put on by Porter and the rest of all, number one. But I want to remind you that on number one chapter is not serve your community. One area that you know, and same number one guy served our country with honor in a number.

00:42:41:02 - 00:43:06:25

Unknown

Or not only that, they serve an honor for our country. But the second time around when they came home, they took on the second, more threat to eliminate and eradicate discrimination in the Spanish community. And you've done a fantastic job. Thank you. There are a lot.

00:43:06:28 - 00:43:16:26



Speaker 3

More acknowledgments I'd like to welcome back to the microphone and one more time.

00:43:16:28 - 00:43:23:07

Unknown

I have to apologize, but please pound for pound.

00:43:23:09 - 00:43:47:26

Speaker 2

As hey, for just a minute. It's gorgeous. I forgot to think about our team because these are the people that don't get something right. I apologize, but I would like to acknowledge the president beverage company for all that they donated.

00:43:47:28 - 00:43:59:24

Unknown

For their heart. Also also my not a commodity distributor of.

00:43:59:27 - 00:44:03:01

Speaker 2

Gold was there. There's a gold.

00:44:03:01 - 00:44:17:15

Unknown

Medal and I'm sorry carbs and you bought paid for your liquor comes from I'm sorry about.

00:44:17:17 - 00:44:19:24

Speaker 2

200,000 for the.

00:44:19:27 - 00:44:21:27

Speaker 3

Board of directors for the year 19.

00:44:21:27 - 00:44:27:08

Unknown

99 through the year 2000. All board members please stand.

00:44:27:10 - 00:44:30:09

Speaker 3

The board members are elected annually by the Foundation for.

00:44:30:10 - 00:44:42:11

Unknown

Membership Program or Program.

00:44:42:14 - 00:44:42:26

Speaker 3

I'll be a.

00:44:42:26 - 00:44:49:00

Unknown

Loan Vice chairman Rose Flores reporting.

00:44:49:00 - 00:45:19:27

Speaker 3

Secretary when your correspondent in San Jose chapter. The American John Ford was very proud to welcome Jennifer Valdivia of San Jose, California. She's a first for the Southeast University.

00:45:19:27 - 00:45:30:14

Unknown

She represents the chapter at all of the local newspapers. She is the official Cinco de Mayo and member history queen.

00:45:30:18 - 00:45:39:09

Speaker 2

Congratulations. You are a role model for you and your community. I would also like to please stand.

00:45:39:12 - 00:45:45:16

Unknown

Thank you over what you produce. 31 green and by the robust.

00:45:45:18 - 00:45:49:09

Speaker 3

And quite beautiful young ladies are very active in our community. They represent.

00:45:49:09 - 00:45:56:24

Unknown

The future. Please get the ball around.

00:45:56:27 - 00:46:00:29

Speaker 3

We also have several points to introduce you to.

00:46:01:02 - 00:46:17:14

Speaker 2

Some of the past winners have gone on to further their careers in law management or media. They've always been very active members of the San Jose Bay Area community. These young women frequently come back to to volunteer areas hazards, starting with the 1990.

00:46:17:16 - 00:46:27:22

Unknown

Over the past year, the National and State Highway, Monica.

00:46:27:24 - 00:46:29:14

Speaker 2

And the.

00:46:29:16 - 00:46:30:09

Speaker 3

A 19.

00:46:30:09 - 00:46:35:28

Unknown

91 yellow.

00:46:36:01 - 00:46:41:22

Speaker 3

Phenomenon is the 1993 local and state champion. We sorry no.

00:46:41:24 - 00:46:56:07

Unknown

Championship point so you see what this 1995 doing another thing the national queen.

00:46:56:13 - 00:46:57:11

Speaker 3

But that's.

00:46:57:13 - 00:47:03:05

Unknown

1996 and Yellow meadow.

00:47:03:06 - 00:47:04:04

Speaker 3

1997.

00:47:04:08 - 00:47:12:00

Unknown

Local and state when so how to remember that is the.

00:47:12:05 - 00:47:20:02

Speaker 3

1998 local actually point and joining us up on the beach here right now is one up.

00:47:20:02 - 00:47:31:21

Unknown

In the national Wayne and Modesto Wayne.

00:47:31:23 - 00:47:47:05

Speaker 3

At this time I'd like to introduce to the future of our community guide for you. Thank you for joining us. Your presence here is very much appreciated and you will be the leaders of tomorrow. Let's hear it for the talented, for you, for.

00:47:47:06 - 00:47:55:26

Unknown

Getting this dream that we are.

00:47:55:28 - 00:48:02:10

Speaker 3

Seeing realized today as the result of a lot of hard work time, dedication, teamwork, and a lot of community political.

00:48:02:11 - 00:48:08:15

Unknown

Support for the building committee deserves to be acknowledged. And members of the building committee are.

00:48:08:17 - 00:48:10:26

Speaker 3

Bringing people solid.

00:48:10:28 - 00:48:31:27

Unknown

People tell you on the back that wasn't frankly, I don't even care because I'm not the one you. And Governor Lerma is also a special tribute to the chairman of these families, a guy that are.

00:48:31:29 - 00:48:39:01

Speaker 3

You know, able to hold the team. We have a gathering in Gaza and I'm.

00:48:39:04 - 00:49:35:08

Unknown

I think it's finally time for the official ribbon cutting for this great facility, the ribbon cutting. Okay. At this time, I think we were sitting outside for the official ribbon cutting around everybody.

00:49:35:10 - 00:49:42:17

Speaker 2

Okay, then I'm not.

00:49:42:19 - 01:18:35:19

Unknown

Able to hold all you in your back. I think. No doubt momentum moving forward. The goal.

01:18:35:21 - 01:18:37:15

Speaker 2

Mind, there's a lot.

01:18:37:21 - 01:18:42:26

Unknown

Of you know what I'm hearing you want to hear about every.

01:18:42:29 - 01:18:43:18

Speaker 2

We're going to have.

01:18:43:18 - 01:18:49:01

Unknown

To determine how involved are you or not.

01:18:49:03 - 01:19:56:19

Speaker 2

You are in front. I know there's I'm embarrassed. I wanted to bring up start I don't care what Mr. Williams told Social Sergio ideals. More Latinos more You love me more ever more like McDonald's loving things. You're not wrong. You don't. I think a lot of a lot of issues here that people are from a lot of you know zero although I their I was North Carolina I guess on gender zero that.

01:19:56:21 - 01:23:11:06

Unknown

They really the fact that we another them. no no no no no I think it had nothing to do I just want his name to be there. I'm so glad to see all of you here. Not only are you eating for the platform, but we are also and that you.

01:23:11:06 - 01:23:18:09

Speaker 2

Served on the GI Forum. This is the chairperson of the Department of the Not Farm.

01:23:18:12 - 01:23:26:12

Unknown

But the youth. And they never knew her area. He's been helping us out and I'm the secretary of the uniform, so we kind of.

01:23:26:14 - 01:23:28:14

Speaker 2

Have been helping out and learning all about.

01:23:28:14 - 01:26:24:28

Unknown

The forum, and we're really glad that we're part of it and we're glad they get here, too. So nice to see like, you know, there might be a couple more, some real I then my family, you know, where they know that my mom really the only ones they know how to get me but it could be that we started or it's you have to anyway.