



Council Agenda Report

To: Mayor Silverstein and the Honorable Members of the City Council

Prepared by: Kristin Riesgo, Acting Community Services Director

Approved by: Steve McClary, City Manager

Date prepared: March 23, 2023

Meeting date: April 10, 2023

Subject: Jake Kuredjian Citizenship Award

RECOMMENDED ACTION: At the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission, approve the nomination of Sara Wan as the recipient of the 2023 Jake Kuredjian Citizenship Award.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for this award is included in the Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in Account Numbers 100-4001-6160-00 (General Recreation Operating Supplies) and 100-4001-5401-00 (General Recreation Advertising & Noticing).

WORK PLAN: This item was not included in the Adopted Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

DISCUSSION: The Council created the Jake Kuredjian Citizenship Award in 2002 to recognize an outstanding individual(s) or groups who give their time and resources to enhance the quality of parks and recreation within the Malibu community. The award was created in honor of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy Hagop "Jake" Kuredjian, who was killed in the line of duty on August 31, 2001, after 17 years of service. Deputy Kuredjian was presented the Gold Meritorious Conduct Medal in 1989 for rescuing a woman from a cliff in Malibu.

Past recipients of the Jake Kuredjian Citizenship Award demonstrated a strong commitment to and involvement in recreation in Malibu while showing a high level of citizenship within the community (Attachment).

On March 21, 2023, the Parks and Recreation Commission unanimously approved the nomination of Sara Wan as the 2023 recipient.

Mrs. Wan helped provide opportunities for underserved youth to participate in recreation throughout the region. She was a Malibu resident and served on the California Coastal Commission and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy board. She focused on conservation and public beach access across California and was considered an expert in habitat and wetland issues, marine mammal issues, water quality, and coastal land planning. Mrs. Wan passed away in September 2022; she was 83 years old.

The Council is asked to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendation to select Sara Wan as the 2023 Jake Kuredjian Citizenship Award recipient. If approved, the City will present the award to Mrs. Wan's family at an upcoming Council meeting and acknowledge her on the website, social media accounts, and local newspapers.

ATTACHMENTS: Jake Kuredjian Citizenship Award Past Recipients



City of Malibu

Jake Kuredjian Citizenship Award Recipients

2002

Ron Bloomfield
Joel Castro
Doug O'Brien
Jill & Harold Smith
Maud Ann Sunderland

2004

Jack Schultz "Papa Jack"

2005

Tim Biglow
Danny Klein
Nick Tidy

2007

Mike Doyle
Steve Rodriguez
James Whalen
Bruce Young

2008

John Paola

2012

Dermot Stoker

2013

Michael Zweig

2014

Steve Ciniglio

2015

Joan House

2017

Bob Stallings

2018

Mike Mulligan
Justine Petretti

2019

Kasey Earnest
Steve Hotchkiss

2020

John Bell
Ellen Reich

2021

Sandy Banducci
Rob LeMond

2022

Richard Lawson
Judy Villablanca