

# Proclamation

Issued By The Mayor

MIGUEL ALVAREZ

WHEREAS, in early October 2013, Miguel Alvarez, a San Leandro resident, was hired as a janitor at Valley Springs Manor, an assisted-living facility in Castro Valley, California; and

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2013, all but two employees, Miguel Alvarez and Maurice Rowland, left Valley Springs Manor after the state suspended the facility's operating license; and

WHEREAS, Miguel Alvarez, the janitor, and Maurice Rowland, the cook, remained at Valley Springs Manor to care for the 14 seniors who had been abandoned at the facility with no one else to care for them; and

WHEREAS, with no formal training, Miguel Alvarez and Maurice Rowland fed, bathed, changed and administered medication to the residents of Valley Springs Manor continuously for more than 24 hours; and

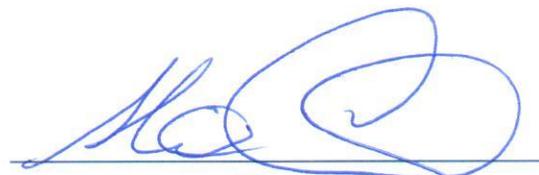
WHEREAS, on October 26, 2013, the Alameda County Sheriff's Department and firefighters arrived to rescue the remaining residents, and Alvarez and Rowland could finally go home; and

WHEREAS, Miguel Alvarez's selfless actions exemplify those of a hero, and his dedication to the 14 seniors at Valley Springs Manor brings honor to the City of San Leandro.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stephen Cassidy, Mayor of the City of San Leandro, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim December 17, 2013, as "**MIGUEL ALVAREZ DAY**" in the City of San Leandro and congratulate and commend him for being a shining representative for our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Leandro to be affixed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013.



  
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Mayor  
City of San Leandro, California