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FW: Subject: Request to reconsider: name the downtown plaza for Dolores Huerta

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Dear Mayor and Members of the San José City Council, and Councilmember Tordillos,

Thank you for the community process behind the new Plaza de San José name. I'm writing with an alternative idea in light of today's news.

Dolores Huerta died today at 96. She co-founded the farmworker movement, fought for it for more than seventy years, and earned the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Earlier this year she also stated publicly that Cesar Chavez sexually pressured and raped her in the 1960s. She kept that silent for six decades to protect the movement she helped build.

Naming this plaza for her would keep the space tied to the farmworker history the community clearly values, while honoring the person who carried it with integrity, and who had the courage to tell the truth about the man whose name is coming down.

I respectfully ask the Council to reconsider the new name and rename the plaza in honor of Dolores Huerta.

Thank you for your time and your service.

Sincerely,
Sveta Saheba

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