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CONSERVATIVE CITY Councilman Chad Williams is behind the signs posted around Huntington Beach — many of them near elementary schools — that have disturbed parents and school board officials alike. Williams is unapologetic about his choice to use the word “porn” on them.

‘Porn’ on election signs in H.B. ‘inappropriate,’ officials say

The signs urge a “no” vote on two library initiatives that are the focus of a June election.

BY MATT SZABO

When Megan Fowler dropped her 9-year-old daughter off at Harbour View Elementary School in Huntington Beach on Monday morning she couldn't miss seeing some political signs near the school entrance that she was not expecting.

“Protect Our Kids From Porn, No on A & B,” the large signs read. They were visible from the playground of the Ocean View School District school.

Fowler was worried about her daughter, who is in the third grade, having questions about the word “porn.” She said she felt the signs used her child as leverage in an adult debate.

“We haven't even had the sex talk yet,” she said. “I was waiting

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H.B. CITY leaders including Mayor Pat Burns and Council members Gracey Van Der Mark and Chad Williams, from left, speak during a March 4 press conference responding to an ALCU lawsuit about library policies.

Steve Hilton launches California governor bid in Huntington Beach

BY MATT SZABO

Steve Hilton made it clear early in his comments Tuesday morning why he chose Huntington Beach to launch his California gubernatorial bid for 2026.

The 55-year-old Republican podcaster and former Fox News host, originally from England, said he admired the way current city leaders flipped the City Council from majority Democrat to all Republican in a matter of a few years.

“Here’s why we’re here,” he said during a rally at Pier Plaza. “The spirit of Huntington Beach is going to be the spirit that saves our beautiful state of California and makes this state truly golden

again.

“Don't let anyone tell you that we can't change California,” he added, referring to the current council as the “MAGA-nificent Seven.” “This city shows us how we can.”

Hilton, who had announced he was running on Monday, said Surf City felt like home to him. The commentator hopes to be making Sacramento home by 2027, throwing his hat into the ring of a crowded governor race alongside fellow Republican Chad Bianco, a Riverside County sheriff known for defying state mandates during the coronavirus pandemic.

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Photos by James Carbone

REPUBLICAN PODCASTER and former Fox News host Steve Hilton formally announces he will enter the 2026 California governor race during a rally at the Pier Plaza and Amphitheater in Huntington Beach on Tuesday.



STEVE HILTON supporters hold up “Golden Again” signs as he announces he will be running in the 2026 California governor race.

Trial begins for man accused of killing

Attorneys for defendant Craig Charron did not dispute that he stabbed and killed his girlfriend nearly five years ago.

BY ERIC LICAS

Prosecutors making opening statements Monday in the trial of Craig Charron said he beat and manipulated Laura Sardinha before she kicked him out of their Huntington Beach apartment Sept. 2, 2020, but he came back and killed her while she was on a conference call with her mother and best friend.

Attorneys for the defendant did not dispute Charron stabbed his girlfriend to death nearly five years ago. But they say he acted in the heat of passion and in self defense.

The couple began dating in June 2020, and had moved into an apartment on the 8400 block of Jenny Drive by July, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. Text exchanges between them suggest he had become physically abusive just weeks later.

“I’m locking myself in a box so you can’t beat me anymore,” Sardinha wrote in a message to Charron dated Aug. 15 of that year. “Because I can’t even drive. You blew out my ear drum.”

Charron was heard threatening to “end this relationship” if the victim refused to massage his calves in videos recorded the following day, before she went to a hospital. Medical records that will be presented in court verify she

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H.B. may ask court to hear housing appeal

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit denied an en banc hearing against housing mandates Monday.

BY MATT SZABO

Huntington Beach might appeal its fight over state housing mandates all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, after a federal appellate court declined another hearing the city's lawsuit on Monday.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit denied an en banc review of *City of Huntington Beach v. Newsom*, where all judges from the full circuit court would hear it.

Huntington Beach City Atty. Mike Vigliotta said in a statement Tuesday that he would ask the City Council to approve filing a petition to the Supreme Court, the last option for the case to continue. The all-MAGA City Council has taken a firm stance against the state getting involved in the charter city's business, particularly in the area of zoning for more housing.

“A city's right to sue the state in federal court is an issue that presents a split among federal circuit courts across the nation,” Vigliotta said. “These are the kinds of cases the Supreme Court will sometimes hear to resolve the split among federal circuit courts. We remain determined to challenge Sacramento's unconstitutional stronghold on cities. We will not

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HUNTINGTON BEACH City Councilman Andrew Gruel, the event emcee, introduces Steve Hilton during Tuesday's rally.



2 dead in separate Huntington Beach incidents ID'd

BY SARA CARDINE

Coroner's officials released information on a man and a woman who died last week in two separate incidents investigated by Huntington Beach police — a crash involving a pedestrian and an apparent suicide — while a third death was reported at a local park Monday.

The first incident happened shortly after mid-

night April 16, near Beach Boulevard and Talbert Avenue, when a vehicle traveling northbound on Beach struck a pedestrian who was standing in a traffic lane just north of the intersection, a police spokeswoman reported last week.

The driver, a 73-year-old Santa Ana man, remained on scene and cooperated with police, who determined impairment did not

appear to be a factor in the crash.

The pedestrian was identified by coroner's officials as 45-year-old Todd Anthony Wilkins, according to Sgt. Gerard McCann of the Orange County Sheriff's Department. Although Wilkins had initially been thought to have connections to the city of Stanton, McCann said Tuesday he did not have a fixed residence at the time

of the incident.

Several hours after the collision, Huntington Beach police received a call about a woman's body discovered lying on the beach near Lifeguard Tower No. 8 in what appeared to have been a suicide, HBPD spokeswoman Jessica Cuchilla confirmed.

McCann confirmed Friday that coroner's officials had identified the de-

cedent as a 45-year-old Whittier resident. The cause of death was not yet determined.

A second suicide was discovered Monday afternoon in Huntington Beach's Wieder Park, located on Lynn Lane, where someone heard a gunshot and called police shortly before 4 p.m., according to Cuchilla.

"An adult female was located with a self-inflicted

gunshot wound, and the gun was located at the scene," she said Tuesday.

The spokeswoman was unable to provide further details about where in the park the incident took place. McCann confirmed the woman had been identified by the coroner's office as a 56-year-old Huntington Beach resident.

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OBITUARY

Jean Forbath opened eyes to those in need

BY SARA CARDINE

Jean Forbath — who grew a humanitarian effort from a tiny church room into the nonprofit Share Our Selves, a network of volunteers, healthcare and service providers that serves tens of thousands of people countywide — died early Monday at age 95.

The longtime Costa Mesa resident, who experienced health complications in her later years, was surrounded by family and loved ones, who noted the devout Catholic passed shortly after the death of Pope Francis in Vatican City.

"She'd spent all of Holy Week at home with all of her kids and grandkids," daughter Mary Cappellini said Wednesday. "And it was just an hour after the pope — it was quite the experience."

Forbath was recognized by numerous honors, including Costa Mesa's "Woman of the Year" award in 2017 and the O.C. Human Relation Commission's "Legacy Awards,"

honoring the county's civil rights heroes.

Yet, her personal pathway of charitable service had relatively modest origins.

Inspired by a 1969 adult education class at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, in which participants pondered the social doctrines of the church, Forbath thought about how she and others could help neighbors in need.

What started out as charitable donations of food, clothing and material goods swiftly turned into a coordinated effort as participants got to know the people they were helping — and in 1970 the nonprofit Share Our Selves (SOS) was born.

"Our organization brought to the foreground that there were needs in Costa Mesa that people were closing their eyes to," Forbath recalled in 2017.

Forbath led a team of volunteers as they opened their first free medical and dental clinic in 1985 and started an "Adopt a Family" Christmas program that now benefits 1,200

families annually.

SOS today provides medical and dental care for nearly 16,000 individuals across Orange County in eight locations and provides food and financial assistance to countless others.

"We're really staying rooted in the legacy of what the original vision was, because the need is still there today," SOS Executive Director Christy Ward said Wednesday. "We're doing really expansive work, but a lot of what they did still goes on — we just added to it."

Forbath tirelessly advocated for access to affordable housing and medical care for the county's poor, regularly appearing before the Costa Mesa City Council and Orange County Board of Supervisors.

She worked as the unpaid executive director of Share Our Selves for 22 years and retired in 1991, though she remained on its board for 39 years.

In 1993, she co-founded the Costa Mesa nonprofit Save Our Youth (SOY). The group provides academic



File Photo

JEAN FORBATH, founder of Costa Mesa nonprofit Share Our Selves, during a fundraiser for Save Our Youth, a group she co-founded in 1993.

readiness and leadership opportunities to first-generation college students from low-income families, annually bestowing a "Jean Forbath Scholarship" to standout youths who strive to change the world for the better.

"When you think of Jean Forbath, everyone thinks about Share Our Selves, but I think about the big contribution she made to youth," Joe Erickson, SOY

co-founder and a former member of the Costa Mesa City Council, said Wednesday. "I'm happy she lived a good, long life and I was part of it."

Forbath is predeceased by her husband Frank and son Joe and is survived by children Steve (and Betsy) Forbath, Kathy (and Bahram) Esfahani, Mary (and Cesar) Cappellini, Susie Forbath, Patty (and Steve) Uchytel and Brian

(and Georgina) Forbath, along with 15 grandchildren.

A service is planned for May 9 at 1 p.m. at Saints Simon and Jude Catholic Church, 20444 Magnolia St., Huntington Beach. Donations may be made to Share Our Selves or Save Our Youth's Jean Forbath Scholarship.

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California State Parks seasonal lifeguard Sierra Fockler discovered a 14-inch Pacific football fish around 2:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, near the lifeguard station located at Crystal Cove State Park in Orange County. It's the second such case of the fish washing ashore over the last three years. (Courtesy of California State Parks)

Good morning. It's Wednesday, Oct. 25. I'm Carol Cormaci, bringing you this week's [TimesOC newsletter](#) with a look at the latest local news and events.

Watch where you're stepping on O.C.'s famed sands, because you may encounter a rare specimen of marine life. One, in fact, that has very sharp teeth.

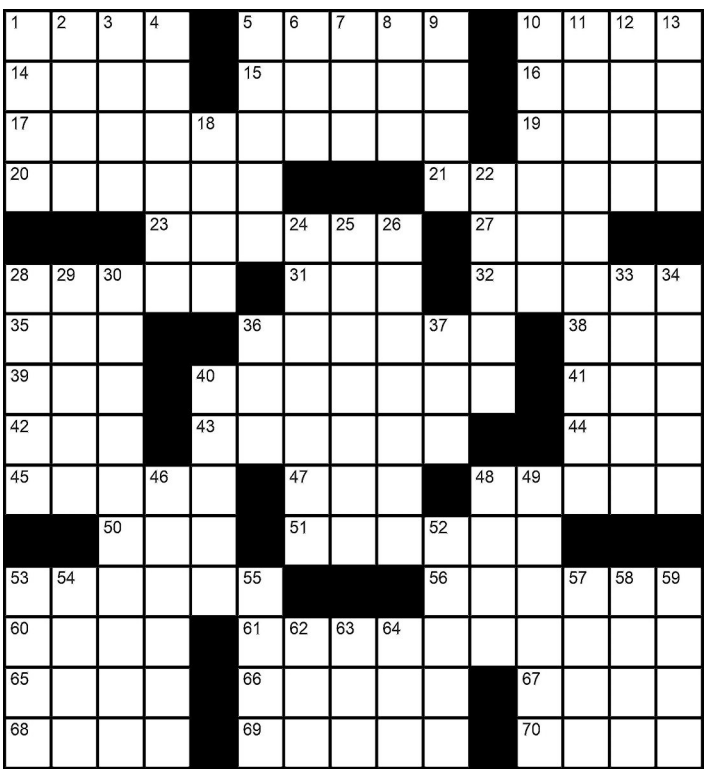
That's what happened on a recent afternoon to lifeguard Sierra Fockler, who found a spooky-looking black angler fish, specifically a Pacific football fish, while she was walking near the lifeguard headquarters building on Moro Beach, located within Crystal Cove State Park.

THE DAILY
COMMUTER
PUZZLE

By Stella
Zawistowski

ACROSS
1 Golf standards
5 Feels sore
10 Obligation to repay
14 Death notice
15 Depart
16 Lotion additive
17 Claudia Schiffer or Heidi Klum
19 Trim down
20 And others: 2 wds.
21 Mistakes in judgment
23 Non-expert
27 Allow
28 Train with more stops than an express
31 Imitate
32 " _ or treat!"
35 Make a mistake
36 Small cave
38 Scam
39 Long, long _
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Inconveniences
41 Frozen water
42 DC lobby group: Abbr.
43 Actor Kutcher
44 End of a shoe
45 Bull's sound
47 Lou Gehrig's disease: Abbr.
48 Some Prado paintings
50 "What's up, _?"
51 Subside
53 Forge workers
56 _ of Arts degree
60 Explorer Marco
61 Tiramisú cheese
65 Finished
66 Greek yogurt brand
67 Senses of self
68 " _ of the D'Urbervilles"
69 Data plot
70 Retail price

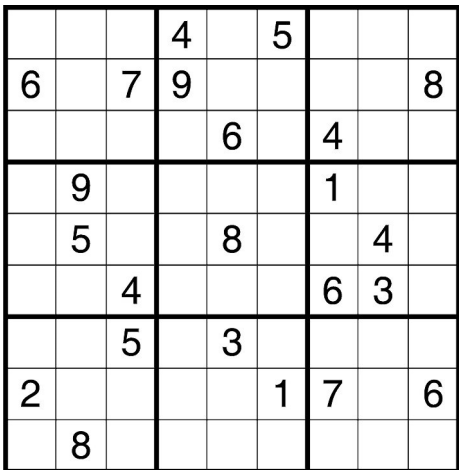
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1 Sit for a portrait



SUDOKU

By the Mephram Group

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk.



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A6.

2 Be next to	9 Auction off
3 TV host Kelly	10 Well-dressed
4 _ Artois (beer brand)	11 Stretchiness
5 Skincare brand	12 Tiresome person
6 Company bigwig: Abbr.	13 V-necked shirts
7 Owned	18 Iran's currency unit
8 Actress Arden	22 Some choral

singers
24 Parade official
25 Disciple of Jesus
26 Number in red ink: 2 wds.
28 Big jumps
29 Heart or kidney
30 Strong-jawed reptiles
33 Chocolate powder
34 Mid-leg joints
36 Oxygen, e.g.
37 Top- _ list
40 Trapdoor opening
46 Helicopter parts
48 Equipment
49 Without promise of payment: 2 wds.
52 Hit movie
53 Dalmatian's marking
54 Change homes
55 Urban pollution
57 For takeout: 2 wds.
58 Actress Mireille
59 Take a break
62 Basketball filler
63 Reggae relative
64 Police officer

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be deterred or intimidated and will continue to fight for Huntington Beach.”

Huntington Beach has continued to fight state Regional Housing Needs Assessment requirements to zone for 13,368 dwelling units in the current cycle. The city filed a federal lawsuit against the state of California in March 2023, arguing that the requirements violate the charter city's right to zone property.

The courts have largely not agreed. The state's motion to dismiss the lawsuit was granted by a U.S. district court judge in November 2023.

Michael Gates, who recently left his job as Huntington Beach city attorney, argued the case before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in 2024, but a three-judge panel ruled that the city did not have standing to sue in federal court.

Additionally, that panel stated in its ruling that “no matter how California categorizes charter cities, they remain subordinate political bodies, not sovereign entities.”

Now, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has denied taking another look at the case with a larger group of judges.

“We are pleased that Huntington Beach's latest attempt to exempt itself from our state's housing

laws has failed,” California Atty. Gen. Rob Bonta said in a statement. “All along, Governor Newsom and I have asserted that the city's federal lawsuit is meritless and a waste of the public's money. Like every other city in California, Huntington Beach has a legal obligation to build its fair share of housing. We will be closely monitoring what the city decides to do next.”

In a state lawsuit against Huntington Beach, a San Diego Superior Court judge ordered last July that the city must pass a compliant housing element within a year. That case is also on appeal.

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HILTON

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Democrats who have declared for the race include Toni Atkins, former U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Xavier Becerra, Stephen Clooback, Lt. Governor Eleni Kounalakis, former U.S. Rep. from Orange County Katie Porter, State Supt. Tony Thurmond, former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, state Democratic Party vice-chair Betty Yee and Michael Younger.

Former Vice President Kamala Harris, who lost to Donald Trump in the 2024 presidential election, is reportedly expected to decide by late summer if she will also run for California governor.

Republicans have not been elected to a statewide office since Arnold Schwarzenegger won a second term in 2006.

Hilton, an Atherton resident who became a U.S. citizen in 2021, came out swinging against Harris.

“She's looming, like the marine layer threatening to come in and blot out the sun that we have here today,” Hilton said, before mentioning the former vice president's name to a chorus of boos from the crowd.

“It's never about us,” he said. “It's always about her ... She says she is ‘intrigued’ by the prospect of



James Carbone

SUPPORTERS LISTEN as Republican podcaster and former Fox News host Steve Hilton announces Tuesday that he will be running for California governor.

being the first Black woman governor in America. Let me tell you, leading the greatest state in the greatest nation on earth is not some consolation prize to be handed out to a failed and rejected machine politician from Washington, who can barely string a coherent sentence together and who thinks she should get this job because of her identity, not her ability. So, bring it Kamala. If you decide to run for governor, we will beat you again.”

Hilton also held a video call at the rally with Vivek Ramaswamy, a 2024 presidential candidate currently running for governor of Ohio.

The rally had a decidedly Huntington Beach feel.

Newly appointed Council member and celebrity chef Andrew Gruel served as the emcee, while Council members Gracey Van Der Mark and Chad Williams also gave remarks.

Tony Strickland, the former member of the City Council who was elected to state Senate District 36 via a special election in February, also appeared via a pre-recorded video message and said he was a co-chair of Hilton's campaign.

“Let's turn California around and make it the golden state it once was, and will always be in the future, with your help,” Strickland said.

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MAY 8, MAY 9
ROBERT CRAY

4/24 THE WAILERS

4/25 TOM GREEN (COMEDY TOUR)

4/26 PIANO MEN: GENERATIONS

5/2 IN THE AIR TONIGHT (PHIL COLLINS & GENESIS TRIBUTE)

5/3 THE OCEAN BLUE

5/8 ROBERT CRAY

5/9 ROBERT CRAY

5/10 SHINE ON (THE LIVE PINK FLOYD EXPERIENCE)

5/11 ISRAEL VIBRATION, DUANE STEPHENSON & ROOTS RADICS

5/15 ALL FIRED UP (PAT BENATAR TRIBUTE)

5/16 RONSTADT REVIVAL (LINDA RONSTADT TRIBUTE)

5/17 DEAD MAN'S PARTY

5/18 THE DAY THE MUSIC DIDN'T DIE

5/22 FOGHAT

5/23 RICHIE KOTZEN

5/24 QUEEN NATION (RE-IMAGINED SYMPHONIC ROCK SHOW)

5/29 THE WAR & TREATY

5/30 YACHTY BY NATURE

5/31 KIDS OF CHARLEMAGNE (STEELY DAN TRIBUTE)

6/1 KEN GARCIA

6/5 BIG COUNTRY

6/6 THE WINEHOUSE EXPERIENCE

6/7 YYNOT (TRIBUTE TO RUSH)

6/8 HOWIE DAY

6/12 PURE PRAIRIE LEAGUE

6/13 BUFFETT BEACH

6/14 DON MCLEAN

6/15 LIVE DEAD & BROTHERS (AN ALL-STAR CELEBRATION OF GRATEFUL DEAD & ALLMAN BROTHERS)

6/18 MATTEO MANCUSO

6/20 EVE 6

SAT, MAY 10
SHINE ON

SUN, MAY 11
ISRAEL VIBRATION,
DUANE STEPHENSON
& ROOT RADICS

THU, MAY 15
ALL FIRED UP

FRI, MAY 16
RONSTADT
REVIVAL

6/21 CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE: DAVID BOWIE'S ZIGGY'S STARDUST

6/27 HEARTWRECKERS (TRIBUTE TO TOM PETTY)

6/28 GARY HOEY

7/3 THE ULTIMATE ROCK BAND: THE GREATEST ROCK HITS OF ALL TIME

7/5 AMBROSIA

7/11 THE ENGLISH BEAT

7/12 THE ENGLISH BEAT

7/13 THE CREAM OF CLAPTON BAND "UNPLUGGED"

7/17 DUANE BETTS AND PALMETTO MOTEL

7/18 JOURNEY USA

7/19 FAST TIMES

7/20 STARSHIP

7/26 VENICE

7/27 BOBBY GRAY

7/30 MONOPHONICS

8/2 HENRY KAPONO

8/3 HENRY KAPONO

8/6 TAJ FARRANT

8/8 STEVE EARLE

8/9 LED ZEPAGAIN

8/15 THE MOTELS

8/16 SKELETON CREW

8/22 SUPER DIAMOND

8/23 SUPER DIAMOND

8/28 TAB BENOIT

8/29 MONTROSE LIVE

8/30 MISSING PERSONS

9/6 THE DEVON ALLMAN BLUES SUMMIT

9/7 BENISE (25 YEARS OF PASSION)

9/13 PABLO CRUISE

9/18 BOB ANDERSON (TRIBUTE TO FRANK SINATRA)

9/19 THE NELSONS

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The assets being sold are generally described as: **TRADENAME, GOODWILL, INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE, LEASEHOLD INTEREST, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, SOFTWARE, FURNITURE, FIXTURE, EQUIPMENT, GOVERNMENTAL APPROVALS, BOOKS AND RECORDS, FRANCHISE WEBSITES, URL'S EMAIL ADDRESS** and are located at: **507 SPECTRUM CENTER DRIVE, IRVINE, CA 92618**
The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: **COMMONWEALTH LAND TITLE, 4400 MACARTHUR BLVD, SUITE 800, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660** and the anticipated sale date is **MAY 12, 2025**
The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.
[If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided]
The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: **COMMONWEALTH LAND TITLE, NATIONAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES, 4400 MACARTHUR BLVD, SUITE 800, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660** and the last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be **MAY 9, 2025**, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.
Dated: **4/17/25**
THE DNJ LLC, Buyer(s)
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARY KAY TAYLOR
Case No. 30-2025-01473922-PR-PW-CMC
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MARY KAY TAYLOR
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Karen L. Taylor in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Karen L. Taylor be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 4, 2025 at 1:30 PM in Dept. No. CM08 located at 3390 HARBOR BLVD, COSTA MESA CA 92626.
The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court's designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court's website at the Superior Court of California - County of Orange (occourts.org) to appear remotely for Probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions. If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for your hearing.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: FRANKIE LAY THOMSEN
CASE NO. 30-2024-01439647
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of FRANKIE LAY THOMSEN.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ALEX R. THOMSEN in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ALEX R. THOMSEN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. THE WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/28/25 at 1:30PM in Dept. CM08 located at 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626
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T.S. No.: **2024-11674-GSE** APN: **178-631-25** Property Address: 4446 SEA HARBOUR DR, HUNTINGTN BCH, CA 92649 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALEYOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/16/2021. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: **Elizabeth Marie Perry, A Single Woman** Duly Appointed Trustee: **Nestor Solutions, LLC** Deed of Trust Recorded **9/20/2021 as Instrument No. 2021000582506 in Book -- Page --** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **Orange County**, California Date of Sale: **5/12/2025 at 9:00 AM** Place of Sale: **Auction.com room, Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Anaheim - Orange County, 100 The City Drive, Orange, California 92868**Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$759,913.10** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **4446 SEA HARBOUR DRHUNTINGTN BCH, CA 92649** A.P.N.: **178-631-25** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. 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If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: 4/10/2025 **Nestor Solutions, LLC 214 5th Street, Suite 205 Huntington Beach, California 92648 Sale Line: (888) 902-3989 Giovanna Nicholson, Sr. Trustee Sale Officer EPP 43316 Pub Dates 04/17, 04/24, 05/01/2025**

T.S. No.: **2024-00228** APN: **153-592-04** Property Address: 8811 Baywood Dr , Huntington Beach, California 92646 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/30/2021. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. 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Chapman, Orange CA** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$1,023,631.57** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **8811 Baywood Dr Huntington Beach, California 92646** A.P.N.: **153-592-04** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale.NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. 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If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: 4/8/2025 **Sokolof Remtulla, 2301 Dupont Drive, Suite 505, Irvine, CA 92614. Sale Line: 866-266-7512 Kassidy O'Neal, Foreclosure Specialist. EPP 43289 Pub Dates 04/17, 04/24, 05/01/2025**

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until like 10 or 11. How can I explain ‘porn’ without having to go through all of that? I don’t want my child to be like me, who grew up in a super-conservative, right-wing Christian home, where I had to learn about sex through other kids at school. I feel like that’s my responsibility to inform my child. But she’s 9 years old. She’s a very innocent child to share this information with, but now the council, Chad Williams, has blatantly put these signs in her face.”

Williams was one of three conservatives elected last November to form an all-MAGA Huntington Beach City Council. A political action committee he started recently, “Protect the Children With Councilman Chad Williams, Vote No on A and B,” is behind the signs.

The signs, many of which were hung near the city’s elementary schools, were put up late Sunday night in advance of a special election in Huntington Beach scheduled for June 10.

At issue are two library measures. Measure A would repeal a parent/guardian children’s book review board, while Measure B would require voter approval before any future attempts to outsource services at the public library.

Some local parents took to social media to voice anger at Williams on Monday for the use of the word “porn,” shorthand for “pornography,” on the signs.

“It’s not even a conversation, it’s like an ambush,” said Desiree DeLattre, a Huntington Beach resident who immediately noticed signs at the corner of Adams Avenue and Bushard



James Carbone

STEVE HILTON waves the California state flag after announcing he will be running in the 2026 California governor race.

Street on Monday while taking her children to Orange Coast College Children’s Center in Costa Mesa. “Conversation is healthy, but this is just nothing that was on a parent’s bingo card this morning. The most important part of a parent’s job is to keep their children safe, and I think that with this short-sighted stunt, Chad Williams put our kids’ safety at risk.”

Williams, a former U.S. Navy SEAL who’s a youth pastor and public speaker, defended the signs and use of the word “porn” in a Monday interview.

“There is content in the library that is far worse than just the word,” he said. “The people that have pushed this sexual content, this obscene content in our public library have pushed this conversation into the public forum. There’s no debating that there is obscene content being made available to minors in the library. I can give a number of examples of what is depicted, but you probably wouldn’t be able to publish it, and that should tell you all you really need to know.”

Williams’ colleague on

the City Council, Butch Twining, said he helped put up some of the signs Sunday night.

“To a certain extent, I understand where [parents] may be coming from on the ‘porn’ thing,” Twining said Monday. “But you know, ‘porn’ is a word that’s been thrown around in the public arena for years and years. Now, all of a sudden, ‘Oh my God, it’s like the ‘F’ word.’ The PAC that printed these things out probably weighed whether the word ‘porn’ was more upsetting than the actual porn books in the library, and they probably determined that the word ‘porn’ isn’t actually as upsetting as having actual porn in the library.”

WHERE’S THE PORN?

After a post that Twining made on social media recently, Ocean View School District Trustee Gina Clayton-Tarvin and Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library member Carol Daus pushed back on that assertion of porn in the public library. They openly challenged Twining to meet them at the Central Library and show them where the porn is.

So far, he has passed on that request.

“I don’t need to go on an Easter egg hunt in the library to go look among half-a-million books to find one,” Twining said. “I know they’re there, because I know I’ve got some here in my office.”

Clayton-Tarvin now has taken it a step further. She said she talked to Orange County District Atty. Todd Spitzer on Monday morning, requesting an investigation on the claims of porn in the library.

“They’re the governing board of the city,” she said of the members of the City Council. “If the books in the library are pornography, as they say, then they are purveyors of pornography. It’s as simple as that. It doesn’t matter what their opinions are. Is it pornography? This is what the D.A. is going to look into, are these pornographic materials? And if it comes back that it’s not pornographic materials, then I guess we have our answers, don’t we?”

Williams said his concern was not about books like “Everyone Poops,” which was initially moved into a restricted area on the fourth floor of the Central Library but eventually returned to the children’s section. A recent Daily Pilot review of books that are currently in that restricted area found eight titles, the majority of them dealing with puberty.

“Library employees intentionally spotlight books like ‘Everyone Poops,’” Williams said. “These are not the books we’re talking about. It’s the books that talk about shoving household items up where people poop.”

He also mentioned a book titled “Identical,” which is cataloged as an adult book, though Williams said it is still

available to minors. It deals with themes including rape and incest.

“I’m shedding light on the darkness that’s happening,” he said. “It’s been said, ‘All that’s required for evil to triumph is for good men to stand back and do nothing.’ There are those that would like to put their heads in the sand and look the other way, pretend it’s not there and not deal with it. Then there are those that are willing to take that stand and address it. I’m asking all of the responsible adults in the room, as it were, to take a stand and expose these works of darkness with the truth, with light.”

As for the “No on A and B” signs, reports surfaced that some of them were taken down Monday by angry community members, though the Huntington Beach Police Department reminded residents that removal and vandalism of election signs is a crime.

HBPD spokeswoman Jessica Cuchilla said Tuesday there were four reports of vandalism on the signs, and two individuals had been cited and released.

One man, Jason Teter, said in a video posted to social media that he was responsible for cutting the word “porn” out of 12 of the signs, returning that part of the signs to City Hall.

Teter said he wrote an email to Williams, who he voted for last November, stating that the election signs may be legal but he didn’t believe it was right to put the word “porn” in clear sight of children.

“Pornography is indeed a destructive force that exploits individuals and damages family,” Teter read aloud from the email he sent Williams. “But using the term so prominently in public spaces feels counterproductive to

the very cause that you are trying to campaign. Frankly, it reads more like a tactic to provoke than a message grounded in conservative values, and that’s something I believe we should rise above.”

A letter sent to Ocean View School District families on Monday by Board of Trustees President Patricia Singer and Supt. Julianne Hoefer called the signs “inappropriate.”

“While the inappropriate signs are not affiliated with the district, we did want to reassure our families that our school libraries do not contain any inappropriate material,” the letter read, in part. “Our commitment to maintaining a safe, age-appropriate and educational environment for all students remains steadfast. We also recognize that some of our teachers have received questions from students regarding these inappropriate signs. In such instances, our educators are doing their best to thoughtfully redirect these conversations to parents and guardians, as these topics are most appropriate for family discussion.”

Fowler said she had friends on both sides of the political aisle that were upset, and she understood why. While she did not want to have that conversation with her daughter yet, she also knows the explicit websites that pop up when someone conducts an online search of the word “porn.”

“That’s what some of these kids are going to do,” she said. “That leads into a whole another conversation ... so they’re exposing our children, deliberately, into what porn kind of unlocks. It’s like this key. Once it’s opened, it’s a downward spiral from there.”

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Rodrigo Clifford Gurrola
July 26, 1980 - April 17, 2025

Rodrigo Clifford Gurrola, lovingly known as “Rigo” or “Cliff,” passed away peacefully on April 17, 2025, in Tucson, Arizona, surrounded by his family.

Born and raised in Los Angeles, California, Rigo was a devoted Dodgers fan and a man of deep faith. He held firmly to his beliefs throughout life’s many challenges, finding strength and peace in his relationship with God.

Rigo is survived by his beloved children, Ryan and Iliana Gurrola, and his sisters, Victoria and Tiffany. He also leaves behind his lifelong best friend, Adam, and many other dear friends whose companionship he deeply valued. He was preceded in death by his mother, Nadene, and his sister, April, who have welcomed him into Heaven’s gates with open arms.

A compassionate and committed member of the sober community, Rigo was known for his empathy, honesty, and unwavering support for others on their journey to recovery.

He will be remembered for his sharp humor, fierce loyalty, and the deep love he carried for those close to him. Rigo’s presence will be profoundly missed by all who knew and loved him.

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CdM caps undefeated league season with win over rival

BY SCOTT FRENCH

Corona del Mar took care of the last two things on its list before the truly important games arrive, a mere formality for the boys' lacrosse powerhouse, perhaps, but significant nonetheless.

Garrett Ip and Owen Majit led the fifth-ranked Sea Kings to a 16-5 home triumph Friday afternoon over archrival Newport Harbor to make it 14 of 15 Battle of the Bay conquests and complete their fifth successive Sunset League title run.

Now, after a final tuneup Wednesday at No. 7 Foot-hill, it's on to the big stuff.

"We always have our eyes set on that CIF championship, and I think that's always the goal here at CdM," said Ip, a senior attacker and midfielder who was a freshman reserve when the Sea Kings won their third Southern Section title in 2022. "Winning league's very important, but we have our eyes on the prize."

The rivalry?
"It's fun," Charlie Hamilton, a co-captain alongside Ip and Jake Card. "It's still a rivalry. Every other sport is always intense, but it's good to get off your shoulder. It's just fun. And winning league is a goal we have, and it's nice to get it done."

The Battle of the Bay is "a special thing," said Corona del Mar head coach G.W. Mix — "it's meaningful to the kids" — but more so something of an annual rite for the lacrosse team, which has wholly dominated the series, with 19 victories in 20 meetings since the Southern Section certified the sport in 2007, eight of the last 10 by double digits. The result was not unexpected.

"We talk to the kids about that, particularly this



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CORONA DEL MAR'S Domingos Alves (11) moves in close for a shot on goal against Newport Harbor's Jayden Hernandez (0) during a Sunset League boys' lacrosse match on Friday.

time of year," Mix said. "It's far more important that we get better than we focus on the Battle of the Bay and sinking the Sailors and all of that other hullabaloo that goes along with it."

The Sea Kings (14-5, 4-0 in the Sunset League) have won three CIF Southern Section titles — in 2012 and 2016 before the Southern Section began administrat-ing the postseason and again three years ago. They've since reached the semifinals and quarter-finals and will face stiff competition, primarily from several Catholic pow-erhouses. Brackets will be revealed next Friday.

Ip and Majit are return-ing All-CIF standouts headed for elite liberal arts colleges in New England to play for top NCAA Division III schools — Ip to Williams, Majit to Bowdoin — who have played to-gether since third grade. Mix says "they're incredibly

skilled with the stick, in-credibly quick and fast, and that's a deadly combi-nation for an offensive player [who] understands the game really, really well."

"They work all the time," said Mix, whose nearly five decades in the game in-cludes stints as head coach of two NCAA programs, as president and general manager of the late Major League Lacrosse club L.A. Riptide, and as founder and executive of Surf Dawgs Lacrosse, a Newport Beach-based youth pro-gram that has fueled CdM's success and contributed to Newport Harbor's roster. "They're those kids that when I drive by on a Sat-urday afternoon and I look through the fence, they're out here shooting. Every weekend in all fall and all summer. The best players we've had here are the kids that continuously work on their own to get better.

"It's no different in any other sport. You hear that about all the great ones, right? They know what they want to do, and they put their minds and bodies to it, and they get after it. That's what makes those two really special, is that they practice their craft all the time, dodging and shooting and throwing the ball around. The good news is they drag some of the others out there with them, which tends to make us a little better."

That work ethic, Ip said, is what he admires most about his brother, Logan, who led CdM's 2022 charge and is now a junior mid-fielder and captain for Har-vard's top-10 team.

"He definitely played a big factor [in my devel-opment]," he said. "We used to shoot in the back-yard all the time. ... He's a really hard worker, and he's a smart player. He taught me to study both the as-pects of playing the game and the mental side of the game."

Mix calls Logan "phe-nomenal, and as good a player as he was, he was every bit as good a leader and every bit as good a hu-man being." Garrett is

"very similar" to his brother.

Garrett says he is "better than my brother."

"Good for him," Mix said. "In a lot of ways, he may be, because he's done some things that Logan didn't have to do. Logan had a really good group around him, a lot of good teammates that are all playing Division I lacrosse now. Garrett hasn't had quite the supporting cast, but he's had a bunch of wonderful kids around him, no doubt."

Ip started Friday's romp a minute and a half in, as-sisted the first of two Alex Aldoroty goals to double the advantage, then added a fourth just before the end of the first quarter. The Sea Kings had six before New-port Harbor struck, and Mix began emptying his bench after halftime.

Ip and Gavin MacBeth off the bench finished with a hat-trick and two assists, Majit tallied a goal and four assists, and Domingos Alves and Auggy Luong added two goals. Griffin Habermehl and Hamilton led a dominant defense, and Tucker Rosenberger and Card were key in buildup and in counter-press.

Braden Brock led New-port Harbor (6-10, 0-2) with two goals and an as-sist.

It was CdM's fifth straight Battle of the Bay triumph, by far the tightest of the five. The Sailors' only win in the series was a 5-4 decision in 2019, to win the Sunset League title, and they've not been to the playoffs since. Winning their remaining games — at home Monday against 10th-ranked Los Alamitos (14-3, 2-1) and Wednesday against Huntington Beach (7-8, 0-3) — would give them the Sunset League's other automatic playoff berth.

An at-large berth, other-wise, appears unlikely, ac-knowledged third-year head coach Blake Lenk, a former Newport Harbor standout. He's playing a longer game. It's a junior-heavy team, and next year looks promising.

"We have a lot of areas to develop," Lenk said. "The biggest thing is overall mindset. We look to focus on not tallying wins and losses, but rather tallying wins and lessons, because there's always something to learn every time we get out there on the field."

"They've got a lot to learn, but they bring the ef-fort, attitude, energy. Those are the things we can con-trol. As long as we can keep in control of the things that we can control, we can ex-pect positive results out of them."

Winning a CIF title "would be a dream," said Hamilton, who as a fresh-man was brought up from junior varsity for the play-off run in 2022. "We've just got to keep our head down and block out the noise and keep rolling. As long as we worry about ourselves and take care of the small things, I think we'll be fine."

The other contenders are mostly Catholic schools, led by defending champion Santa Margarita (13-2), Trinity League champion Mater Dei (11-3) and Los Angeles Loyola (17-3), California's top-ranked side.

Loyola is "a different lev-el," said Mix, whose team was drilled, 16-4, two weeks prior by the Cubs. They're significant title fa-vorites. The only teams to beat them come from states with deeper lacrosse cultures.

"They've got speed and athleticism and depth," said Mix, who had Cubs coach Jimmy Borell on his roster during his Riptide tenure. "I was giving him a hard time after the game, talking about the embar-rassment of riches that he has there. But he's got a great culture and a great group of kids. They work hard, play hard, but they're talented. Just big, strong, athletic kids."

Ip isn't intimidated. "They're a pretty tal-ented team," he said. "But I think I'll take my group of guys up against any group any day of the week."

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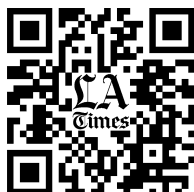
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had a perforated ear drum, Senior Deputy Dist. Atty. Janine Madera said.

In footage captured the morning Charron killed Sardinha he is heard repeatedly asking for her permission to have a friend over, noting that the visitor and defendant had been intimately involved.

"You're trying to f--- with me and be mean," Sardinha replied. "...I can't wait to tell her how you beat the s--- out of me."

By that point, she was done with Charron, according to testimony from her mother and best friend. They were among about a dozen of Sardinha's loved ones who showed up at the trial Monday and heard detailed accounts about her final moments alive. Some embraced each other while sobbing in the hallway outside of the courtroom between proceedings.

The victim went to her apartment's leasing office, had Charron evicted at about 11:30 a.m. Relatives said she felt relieved to be rid of him.

"She was happy, and I was happy for her," the victim's friend of 21 years, Shaina Smith, recalled of the last conversation she

had with Sardinha. "And then things changed very suddenly."

Charron showed up at the apartment in the middle of that call. Cries of "Please don't hurt me," and "No" are heard before Sardinha's phone falls to the ground, according to transcripts and recordings played Monday.

The victim's mother, Marie Sardinha, who was still on the line at the time, said her daughter "just kept screaming."

She and Smith hung up to call police. Laura Sardinha called back and wound up leaving a voice message for Smith, in which she is heard "narrating a portion of her own murder," Madera said.

First responders found Charron's girlfriend curled up in a ball on their bathroom floor, Madera said. She had suffered two stab wounds to the chest as well as numerous slashes to her hands and face.

Charron, who is 10 years older than the victim and 10 inches taller, sustained cuts to his left hand as well as lacerations to his chest and throat. He had to be rushed to a hospital for what defense attorney Michael L. Guisti described as "nearly mortal" injuries. he claimed the defendant acted on impulse, and then on instinct

as the altercation unfolded in order to defend himself.

"His actions were instinctual, not criminal," Guisti said. "...It was a mutual struggle with both people inflicting wounds."

Prosecutors claimed the lacerations to Charron's throat were self-inflicted. They also accused the defendant of planting one of the three bloody knives found in their apartment near the victim's body.

Madera also pointed out that Laura Sardinha had difficulty gripping knives or reaching out with her right arm following a motorcycle crash in 2019. However, Guisti noted that the victim worked as a bar back at HQ Gastropub in Huntington Beach, and would have had the ability to hold at least some objects — or a potential weapon — with her hands.

Laura Sardinha was 25 when she died. She was pursuing a psychology degree online with Purdue Global, her mother said.

"There are many, many people who loved Laura," her aunt, Dorinda Ellis of Atlanta GA, told the Daily Pilot via email Wednesday.

Charron was expected to take the witness stand Thursday morning.

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