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**Subject:** Approval of General Vang Pao Park in Merced Feb 16th Meeting

Good Evening Mr Mayor and Council Members,

My name is Tami Torres Davidson. I am a local Businesswoman ,Parent and a lifelong resident of Merced. I am writing you this evening with a request of Honor.

Many years ago my father who was an educator for 30+ years in Merced told me of a Secret War that General Vang Pao lead. He put his life on the line to help American Soldiers. My father told me if it had not been for The General many of our Fathers and Grand Fathers would not have made it back to U.S. alive. He told me General Vang Pao and many of the Hmong refugees would be coming to Merced with the relocation and assistance program. He asked that we be kind to the new students that would be making the journey to Merced.

It's been nearly 40 years since the Hmong community has blessed Merced California. They have made valuable contributions to our community as Doctors, Lawyers, Grocers, Nurses, Farmers, Teachers and so much more.

TODAY I am asking you to Honor General Vang Pao and the Hmong Community with a YES vote for Unity Respect and Honor. Please consider a vote of YES to move forward naming the Park after General Vang Pao.

Thank you for your time and efforts. I'm Tami Torres Davidson . I love MY Merced and I know you do too!

Blessings,

Tami Torres Davidson

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