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TO: Pocatello City Council Members
Mayor Mark Dahlquist

FROM: Hayden Paulsen
Pocatello City Council Member
Street Renaming Ad Hoc Committee Chair

SUBJECT: Street Renaming Ad Hoc Committee Recommendation

It is the recommendation of the Street Renaming Ad Hoc Committee that the honorary stretch of South 8th Avenue between Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and Humbolt Street be renamed Gutierrez Avenue in honor of Idaho Judge Sergio Gutierrez.

Judge Gutierrez was Idaho's first Latino district court judge and then Idaho Court of Appeals judge. He helped advance statewide standards for certified court interpreters, which strengthened equal access to justice across Idaho courts. He has mentored youth across Idaho and encouraged education, leadership and public service. In his early career, he worked with the Idaho Migrant Council and Idaho Legal Aid Services with the goal to help migrant farm workers.

Judge Gutierrez came from a migrant farm worker family. He worked in farm fields throughout most of his childhood before earning his GED, graduating from Boise State University and becoming an attorney.

Renaming the street to honor Judge Sergio Gutierrez would recognize a lifelong Idaho public servant whose achievements reshaped the state's judicial system, expanded access to justice and inspired generations through education and perseverance. It would reflect values of fairness, unity, opportunity and education, while honoring a Hispanic leader whose legacy is deeply and permanently tied to Idaho's history and future.