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MAYOR'S STATEMENT

SUBJECT: MURDER OF RAPHAEL FUENTES-LEE

The violence that our community experienced on Sunday was deeply disturbing. On behalf of the City of Albany I want to express my sincere condolences to the family and friends of Raphael Fuentes-Lee as they cope with this tragedy.

The sense of safety and well being of our community is extremely important to me as Mayor and to all of the City Council members. I have been in daily contact with the Chief of Police to receive updates on the status of the investigation and I'm pleased to hear that arrests have been made.

I want to express my thanks to the members of the public who assisted the police department in quickly identifying the people allegedly responsible for this crime. I also wish to thank the Albany Police Department for their tireless and professional work to apprehend the suspects.

I realize that some people are frightened and concerned about the safety of their families: a member of our community was murdered, in broad daylight, in a park. It's unacceptable and we must all do everything we can to cultivate a safe, caring community environment for Albany. Please keep Raphael Fuentes-Lee and his family in your thoughts as we grieve the loss of one of our community members.

There are still a lot of unanswered questions about what happened. If anyone has any further information please contact the Albany Police Department at (510) 525-7300.

Peggy McQuaid
Mayor