

MOTION

Richard Gigger, Jr., a celebrated musician and educator who earned countless honors while inspiring generations to greatness, died at the age of 87. The City of San Fernando designated him a Cultural Treasure and the Los Angeles City Council adjourned in his honor upon his passing.

Recently, the Los Angeles Unified School District dedicated San Fernando High School's music building in honor of the late Richard Gigger, Jr. and his wife Ellen Kaminer-Gigger, who were pillars in the school's music department. Richard Gigger, Jr. was the band director at San Fernando High School from 1982 until his retirement in 1999, and Ellen Kaminer-Gigger directed the drill team and also taught piano and chorus classes. Together they were known as "The Team". During their tenure at San Fernando High School, they won 13 consecutive championships. They wholeheartedly devoted themselves to their students, holding them to high expectations, and encouraging them to strive for greatness. Their lessons helped develop a greater sense of self-confidence and ambition in thousands of students, many of whom are now among California's business, civic, educational and musical leaders. This husband and wife team embodied the marriage between band and drill team and were adored and respected by their students.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council name the intersection of Laurel Canyon Boulevard and Chamberlain Street as "Gigger Square" and that the Department of Transportation be directed to fabricate and install appropriate ceremonial signs to this effect at this location.

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