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**Item No. 4**

CITY OF SOUTH GATE  
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

5:30pm

**AGENDA BILL**

For the Regular Meeting of: **February 26, 2019**

Originating Department: **Administration**

Assistant City Manager:

*Arturo Cervantes*

City Manager:

*Michael Flad*

**SUBJECT: CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION TO SOUTH GATE COMPANIES FOR COMPLYING WITH WASTEWATER DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**

**PURPOSE:** This item was added to the Agenda at the request of Mayor María Belén Bernal to recognize South Gate companies that were honored by the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County as “Good Corporate Citizens” under their Certificate of Recognition Program.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Mayor María Belén Bernal will present Certificates of Appreciation to Koo’s Manufacturing, Inc., Marquez Marquez Food Products, Inc., Pacific Fruit Processors, Inc., Rainbow Powder Coating, Inc., Shultz Steel Company and Tesoro Logistics Operations, LLC for being in full compliance with the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County industrial waste requirements in 2017.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None.

**ANALYSIS:** The Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (Sanitation Districts) has a special Certificate of Recognition Program which honored 389 industries that were in full compliance with the Sanitation Districts’ industrial waste discharge requirements. The South Gate businesses named above were among those honored by the Sanitation Districts on August 8, 2018 for their compliance in 2017. These companies not only met their requirements, but often exceeded expectations in the limits for wastewater discharge for at least a year, maintained their environmental equipment and fulfilled all permit requirements.

**BACKGROUND:** The Sanitation Districts are regional public agencies consisting of 24 independent special districts serving over 5.6 million people in 78 cities and the unincorporated territory within Los Angeles County. The Sanitation Districts protect public health and the environment through innovative and cost-effective wastewater and solid waste management and, in doing so, convert waste into resources such as recycled water, energy and recycled materials.

For 22 years, the Sanitation Districts have awarded the “Good Corporate Citizens” recognition which aims to incentivize Southern California industries in Los Angeles County to achieve consistent compliance with regulations, and save water and energy. The recipients of these awards take pride in environmental stewardship and are eager to work with the Sanitation Districts in its mission to protect the environment.

**ATTACHMENTS:** None.