

September 30, 2024

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To: Mayor Scott Robertson
Town Hall
1710 Tucker Street
Selma, California 93662

cc: Mayor Pro Tem Beverly Cho
Council Member Blanca Mendoza-Navarro
Council Member John Trujillo
Council Member Sarah Guerra
Reyna Rivera, City Clerk

Re: Please Stop Using My Son's Sacrifice for Your Political Ambition

Dear Mayor Robertson,

Our family is writing to ask that you please immediately stop using the memory of my son – Officer Gonzalo Carrasco – to help you stay in office in your political campaign for Mayor of Selma.

My family continues to grieve. When we spoke, I did not know that you were recording my emotional response for future political use. I did not know that you planned to use the photo we took in front of my son's memorial for your political campaign. I did not know that you were going to use my family's grief to garner political support.

On behalf of my family, the people who knew and loved Gonzalo the most, we know that he never would have wanted this. We do not want this.

Let me be very clear – Neither myself, nor any member of my family endorses your candidacy or anyone else's. We are not political, and this is not about politics. This is about doing what is right and honoring the memory of my son.

Sincerely,

Gonzalo Carrasco Sr.