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Carlos "Tío Carlos" Prinzen was born in Los Angeles on October 15, 1934. He grew up surrounded by challenging circumstances, but always remained optimistic about his life, even in its most painful moments. He was a proud union brother of the Teamsters Local 692 in Long Beach and helped negotiate union contracts with trucking companies in the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. He was always there to support the community of Wilmington when they needed him. He supported the community's students, teachers, and administrators.

For decades, Tío Carlos volunteered at the Banning High School Parent Center where he mentored several generations of students. Over the years, many students thanked Tío Carlos for the positive impact he made on their lives. Some students even mentioned how his mentorship saved their lives. Tío Carlos was a spiritual man who was proud of his Native American heritage. He was also a selfless man. He believed that his purpose in life was to improve the lives of others.

Tío Carlos Prinzen passed away in his sleep peacefully. During the final days of his life, Tío Carlos continued to serve the members of his community by making sure they had access to essential goods that would help them during the COVID-19 pandemic. Tío Carlos Prinzen will forever be remembered and his legacy will live on in the hallways of the Banning High School campus, the Wilmington community, and the Harbor Area.

In recognition of Carlos "Tío Carlos" Prinzen's contributions and service to the City, it is appropriate that the City honor him by naming the intersection of Lakme Avenue & Sandison Street as "Carlos "Tío Carlos" Prinzen Square".

I THEREFORE MOVE that intersection of Lakme Avenue & Sandison Street in Wilmington be named as "Carlos "Tío Carlos" Prinzen Square" and that the Los Angeles Department of Transportation be directed to erect permanent ceremonial signs to this effect at this location.

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