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Sheriff

May 21, 2024

Mayor Donna Dodgen and Seguin City Council Members: Joe Rea Sonia Mendez Jim Lievens Chris Rangel Paul Gaytan Monica Carter Jason Biesenbach Bill Keller 205 N. River St. Seguin, Texas 78155

Dear Mayor Dodgen and Seguin City Council Members,

Please accept this letter of support for the Request of a Street Name Change to honor John Koch.

I am writing this letter in support of a proposal to change the name of the 2600 Block of North Guadalupe Street to John Koch Drive in memory of John D. Koch, Captain of Operations of the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office. John passed away on April 26, 2024, after devoting 35 years of public service to the citizens of Guadalupe County. During his years of service, John was also awarded Officer of the Year by the Seguin Knights of Columbus and the Sheriff's Office Supervisor of the Year. He was admired by all who worked with him. He was both a friend and a mentor.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Arnold S. Zwicke

Sheriff

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Hon. Mayor Donna Dodgen 205 N. River Street Seguin, TX 78155

Mayor Dodgen,

This letter is to offer my full support towards the effort to rename the portion of Guadalupe St. North of IH 10 after Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office Captain John Koch. As you know, Captain Koch recently passed after his battle with leukemia. Captain Koch was a fixture at the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office after thirty five years of service to the citizens of Guadalupe County. His legacy to not only our office but our citizens, is an exemplary example of a life dedicated to the service and protection of others. Captain Koch was beloved and cherished not only by members of our office, but also members of the community. Renaming this portion of Guadalupe Street, which is directly in front of the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office, would be a very fitting tribute to a dedicated public servant and very good man. If you have any additional questions, you are welcome to contact me directly. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Joshua O. Ray

Chief Deputy Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office

Guadalupe County, Texas

Cc: Sheriff Arnold Zwicke

June 4, 2024

The Honorable Donna Dodgen Mayor, City of Seguin 205 N River Street Seguin, Texas 78155

## Dear Mayor Dodgen:

Please allow me to offer my support of naming the street directly in front of the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office in honor of Mr. John Koch. Honoring and supporting the work of law enforcement officers is a top priority for me and it is a privilege for me to recommend the naming of this street after someone who selflessly gave his time and service to our community for over three decades. John first joined the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office in 1989 and was promoted to Corporal of Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office a few years later. Two years later, in 1996, John was promoted to Sergeant of Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office. He received numerous awards while serving as sergeant, most notably in 2006 he was awarded Officer of the Year by the Seguin Knights of Columbus and Sheriff Office Supervisor of the Year in 2013. In 2014, John was promoted to Patrol Lieutenant of Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office, and in 2017 he was promoted to Captain of Operations Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office.

I can think of no other person more deserving of such an honor than John Koch. For nearly 33 years, John fought to keep our community safe each and every day. John was a friend and a mentor with a huge impact on this community. His distinguished service should not go unrecognized and I wholeheartedly support naming this street in his honor.

Sincerely

John Kuempel



2620 N. Guadalupe Seguin, Tx 78155 abailbonds2.com Phone: (830)303-2108

(830) 303-1664

Dear Mayor Dodge and Seguin City Council Members.

I am writing this letter to offer my support to rename the 2600 block on North Guadalupe Street to John Koch Drive in memory of John D. Koch, Captain of Operations for the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office. This section of North Guadalupe Street is the location of the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office and A Bail Bonds 2.

Captain Koch passed away on the 26th of April 2024 after devoting 37 years of public service with the Guadalupe County Sheriff's office, he was the county's longest serving deputy. Renaming this portion of North Guadalupe Street would be a fitting tribute to a very dedicated public servant.

If you need an additional information or have an questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 830-303-2108.

Thank you,

Jimmy Zamora dba A Bail Bonds #2 Dear Mayor Dodgen and Seguin City Council Members,

I am writing this letter to offer my support to rename the 2600 block of North Guadalupe Street to John Koch Drive in memory of John D. Koch, Captain of Operations for the Guadalupe County Sheriffs Office. This section of North Guadalupe Street is the location of the Guadalupe County Sheriffs Office and AAA Bail Bonds.

Captain Koch passed away on 26 April 2024 after devoting 37 years of public service to the citizens of Guadalupe County as a Texas Peace Officer. With 35 years of service with the Guadalupe County Sheriffs Office, he was the county's longest serving deputy. Renaming this portion of North Guadalupe Street would be a fitting tribute to a very dedicated public servant.

If you need any additional information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 830-379-4445.

Regards,

A-A-A BAIL BONDS

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## **STEVEN MYERS**

816 Arvin Street Seguin, Texas 78155

Mr. Steve Parker Seguin City Manager 205 N. River Street Seguin, Texas 78155

Subj: Renaming of 2600 Block of North Guadalupe Street

Dear Mr. Parker:

I am Steven Myers, a Deputy with the Guadalupe County Sheriffs Office. Jack Hamlett, former Seguin City Manager, and I would like to get on the agenda of a July Seguin City Council meeting. We respectfully request the 2600 block of North Guadalupe Street be renamed to John Koch Drive as a tribute to a man who dedicated his life to public service.

John D. Koch, Captain of Operations with the Guadalupe County Sheriffs Office, devoted 37 years of public service as a Texas Peace Officer, with 35 of those years at the Guadalupe County Sheriffs Office. His recent passing was a loss not only to those who wore the badge alongside him, but to those he protected and served.

The 2600 block of North Guadalupe Street is more than just a location; It's the home of the Sheriffs Office and represents the heart of public service in our county. It is fitting then, that this stretch of road bears the name of a man who was not only the longest serving deputy in the county, but also a recipient of the Officer of the Year and Supervisor of the Year awards.

Enclosed are letters of support from Sheriff Arnold Zwicke, Sheriff Elect Joshua Ray, Representative John Kuempel, Jimmy Zamora of A Bail Bonds (2620 N. Guadalupe St.) and Zina Meeker of AAA Bail Bonds (2608 N. Guadalupe St.).

Thank you for considering this proposal to express our gratitude to a man who was dedicated to ensuring the safety and security of Guadalupe County and to show our respect for a duty faithfully executed.

Regards,

Steven Myers

Deputy, Guadalupe County Sheriffs Office

