

# City of Framingham



The City Council of Framingham



## ORDER NO. 2022-140 REQUEST OF COUNCILOR STEFANINI

UPON THE REQUEST OF COUNCILOR STEFANINI, THE CITY OF FRAMINGHAM, THROUGH THE FRAMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL, IT IS SO ORDERED:

- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno Gex was born on November 19, 1922 in Yuma, Arizona;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno as a baby moved to Los Angeles, California with her six siblings where she received her formative education in parochial schools, where she aspired to be a Prima Ballerina and won a scholarship to Zolowinsky Dance Academy;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno went to work after high school to help her widowed Mother make ends meet during the Great Depression as an operator for Southern California Telephone Company, where she saw the beginning of World War II;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno first voted in the presidential election for Franklin D. Roosevelt;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno met her husband, Brooking Gex, a serviceman in the Navy, during a lunch break from work as a clerk for the United States Civil Service Commission as he awaited a train to ship out to the Pacific theater for duty;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno corresponded with Brooking until his return to the United States in 1945, when he asked her to marry him;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno and Brooking Gex were married in Wichita, Kansas, near his Mother's home on December 31, 1945;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno Gex settled with her husband, a traveling salesman for Superior Coach Corporation, in Lexington, Kentucky where they had a daughter, Mary Elizabeth;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno Gex travelled with her husband, who sold funeral coaches and ambulances, to every state in our nation, except Alaska;
- Whereas,** Vernice Moreno Gex has witnessed amazing technological changes in her life, from Horse drawn ice wagons for ice boxes to refrigeration, radio and black and white television to big screen color television, steam engines to bullet trains, operator calls to cell phones, and space exploration, the Concord, the computer age, and so much more;

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Whereas, Vernice Moreno Gex moved to Framingham, Massachusetts in 2018 to be closer to her daughter, a Framingham resident;

Whereas, Vernice Moreno Gex, a line dancer, kitchen band member, a Queen of the Red Hat chapter, has come to love Framingham;

Now Therefore, the Mayor and Council declare Tuesday, November 19, 2022 as

## VERNICE MORENO GEX

in Framingham, and we urge all residents to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Cannon, King, Leombruno, Long, Mallach, Ottaviani,  
Stefanini, Steiner, Stewart-Morales  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: All members were present in person or via teleconferencing  
PASSED IN COUNCIL: December 20, 2022

A True Record, Attest:

12/22/2022  
Date Approved

Lisa A. Ferguson  
Lisa A. Ferguson, City Clerk  
Emily Butler, Assistant City Clerk