**Council Member Patrick Phat Bui Remarks**

**Medal of Honor Bike and Pedestrian Trail Dedication**

**Tuesday, April 27, 2021**

* Thank you, Scott. Good evening, everyone.
* It is my privilege to be here today as we officially dedicate the Garden Grove Medal of Honor Bike and Pedestrian Trail and unveil a commemorative plaque.
* This bike and pedestrian trail and its name holds very important meaning to me.
* Before the bike and pedestrian trail was officially named, I went to a gravesite with my wife and saw how many people fought and died during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.
* So many people sacrificed their lives for our country and we have not done enough to honor these heroes.
* When Council Member George Brietigam brought to my attention that there have been three Congressional Medal of Honor recipients who resided in Garden Grove, I realized how we can honor and remember our true hometown heroes.
* The City Council Members and I found it appropriate to officially name the bike and pedestrian trail as the Garden Grove Medal of Honor Bike and Pedestrian Trail to memorialize our current as well as future Congressional Medal of Honor recipients.

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* This is an important step in honoring those who have given the ultimate sacrifice and continuing to remember them.
* I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to making this project reach today’s important milestone.
* I’m proud to be a part of today’s dedication, and look forward to getting in my daily steps at this trail!
* Thank you, everyone!

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