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Press Release

Local Postal Worker Receives Mayor's Diakonia Award

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Mayor Mario A. Guerra presented his 6th Mayor's Diakonia Award to Eugene Dalugdug. Known to many as "Gene," this local postal worker has won over residents with his charismatic personality and genuine desire to help the Downey community. He considers our citizens his "customers" and watches out for our residents throughout the day when their homes are empty. Gene has helped start 5 neighborhood watch groups.

"He has done many small things with great love. He helped capture daytime burglars last year by reporting suspicious activity in one of our Downey neighborhoods. He cares and it shows," Mayor Guerra stated.

Gene has also started several bible study groups in Downey, teaches the Purpose Driven Life series and is a member of Praise Chapel Church in Downey. He is a father of 8, grandfather of 2 and served our country as a Marine.

The word Diakonia means "servant" in Greek. Mayor Guerra wishes to honor those who give back to the community and provide service to others. Nominations are currently being accepted for the Mayor's Diakonia Award. For more information or to nominate an individual, please contact the City Council office at 562-904-7274.

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