

LAKE BALBOA

Classic Valley diner set to close

Heart’s Coffee Shop has been serving breakfast and lunch for nearly 50 years

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After nearly 50 years of serving American comfort food from an old-school spot in the San Fernando Valley, Heart’s Coffee Shop will serve its last meal Sunday.

“We had a great run and

created a great legacy in the San Fernando Valley that we’re very proud of. But I feel very very sad, my heart is broken,” said Susan Wong, daughter of Yuk and Sue Wong, who opened Hearts in 1979 at 16918 Saticoy St., near the intersection of Balboa Avenue. Wong said the permanent closure is a result of

rising food costs, inflation, labor shortages and the economy.

“We made the very heart-breaking decision to put it on the market,” she said.

The restaurant, which is open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., had been a diner under different names for decades before the Wong’s purchased and turned it into a beloved community staple. With its bar area, red vinyl seats

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WILDFIRES

L.A. County will buy firefighting copter



A Sikorsky Firehawk helicopter is on display during the Los Angeles County Fire Department annual contract aircraft media day at Van Nuys Airport in 2022. The county has ordered a new helicopter. **HANS GUTKNECHT — STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

\$43.1M purchase, including 15% tariff, similar to current models being used

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Los Angeles County Supervisors approved the purchase Tuesday of a Sikorsky S-70i Firehawk, a specially equipped helicopter for battling wildfires, at a cost of \$43.1 million. Fire Chief Anthony Marrone, in a letter to the board, said that includes the add-on cost of a 15% tariff that is expected to be imposed on the high-tech aircraft.

The tariff is applied on all goods imported into the United States from the European Union, according to a deal made by the Trump administration with the EU in July 2025. The trade pact also includes investments by the EU in American energy and military equipment, a deal made under the threat of



President Donald Trump and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen at the Trump Turnberry golf course in Turnberry, Scotland, in 2025, where a 15% tariff on goods imported from the EU was imposed. **TIERNEY L. CROSS — THE NEW YORK TIMES**

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DIAMOND BAR

Clean-air agency presses Lineage

AQMD board OKs cleanup orders for operator of burned warehouse in Boyle Heights

City News Service

DIAMOND BAR — A South Coast Air Quality Management District hearing board Thursday approved a modified abatement order requiring Lineage Logistics to implement additional odor-control measures during the ongoing cleanup of its burned-out cold-storage warehouse in Boyle Heights.

The unanimous decision came after the board heard nearly seven hours of testimony from affected residents Wednesday and concluded a second day of hearings Thursday following about five hours of presentations from South Coast AQMD staff and

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RENEWABLE ENERGY

L.A. legislator seeks impeachment over canceled funding

Rep. Kamlager-Dove files articles to oust Trump’s budget director

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Vought

A Los Angeles lawmaker is seeking to impeach White House budget director Russell Vought, following recent revelations that the Trump administration acknowledged in court documents to canceling funding for clean energy projects in Democratic states “based solely” on their political leanings, including how the majority of voters in those

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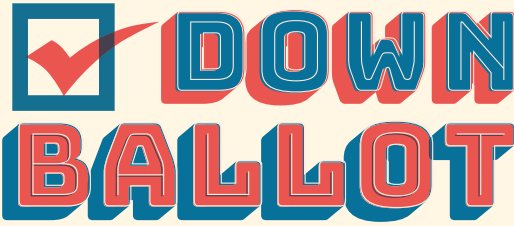
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