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VTA Plans for May 26 Anniversary

SAN JOSE – On **Thursday, May 26, 2022,** the first anniversary of the attack at the VTA Guadalupe Light Rail Yard, employees will gather at the yard in a private ceremony to pay tribute to the nine co-workers who were gunned down at work, and a 10th who took his own life after suffering insurmountable grief from the incident.

The ceremony, in person for employees and their families only, will be <u>livestreamed via YouTube</u> <u>here</u> beginning at **6:30 a.m.** The link will be accessible to the public just before the ceremony begins, and a recording will be available after the event.

VTA asks that news media please respect the privacy of those employees, retirees and their families who will attend the ceremony. To that extent, pool cameras for print and broadcast media will be utilized outside the entrance to the light rail yard, and for interviews with selected VTA employees available at 7:30 a.m. on May 26, 2022.

<u>NBC Bay Area</u> (tele: 408-432-4780) will act as the pool for broadcast news outlets, including radio. The <u>Mercury News</u> (tele: 925-708-2957) will act as the pool for print news outlets.

For morning news crews planning live shots that day, there will be a designated spot near Building A of the light rail yard to set up from 4 a.m. until 7:30 a.m. Please contact <u>Stacey Hendler Ross</u> (408-307-2922) or <u>Sandra Bermudez</u> (408-464-7898) for details.