

## **Candidate Statement**

Name: Evarista Banuelos

Occupation: Appointed City Councilmember

Born and raised in Soledad, my parents taught me the value of family, honesty, and integrity. Like many of you, I have struggled with life challenges, and I know from personal experience all the ups and downs we must face daily, but I also strive for a better life with my faith that sustains me. My love for life and this city inspires me to do more, and I have been consistently volunteering for many local organizations since my youth.

As a working mother, a Soledad native, and District 4 resident, I know and understand the needs of our community. With my voice at the table, I will continue to advocate for enhanced public transportation, street lighting, sidewalk repairs, and public safety. I am asking for your support to be elected as City Councilmember for District 4 to continue to work together to bring new businesses and services to our city.

Before my appointment to City Council, I was instrumental in the referendum process to ensure our right to vote for Mayor remained intact. I will continue to listen to the voices of our community if elected.

I'm ready, let's do this!