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LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ANNOUNCES CITY STREET CLOSURES FOR L.A. MARATHON

LOS ANGELES (March 14, 2011) — The City of Los Angeles has finalized street closures and restricted parking, as well as security strategies and public safety measures, to support the 26th annual Los Angeles Marathon.

The 26.2-mile L.A. Marathon will trek along a similar route to last year, going from downtown's Dodger Stadium to the Pacific coast. Along the way, participants will again pass some of Los Angeles' most famous landmarks and journey through diverse neighborhoods. The race begins on Sunday, March 20 at 6:55 a.m. for wheelchairs, 7:00 a.m. for hand cycles and 7:25 a.m. for all other participants. An accompanying 5K run event will be held at Dodger Stadium on Saturday, March 19 at 8 a.m.

“The Department is very excited to welcome marathon runners and participants to the City,” said Amir Sedadi, Interim General Manager of the Department of Transportation. “We're glad to provide support as they journey from one side of Los Angeles to the other, taking in the sights of this landmark-laden route.”

Various streets along the marathon route will be closed by 3:15 a.m. on March 20, then reopen as early as 10:15 a.m., depending on the location. Streets will reopen by region because of the size and complexity of the event route. Numerous agencies, including the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation, California State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the City of Los Angeles Police and Fire departments were consulted in the planning process and agree that the finalized plan is the best way to accommodate all of the parties involved.

“The Department wants to maintain mobility for all City drivers and will reopen streets as soon as it's safe to do so,” Sedadi said.

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation will begin to strictly enforce a restricted, no-parking policy for the marathon on the dates and times listed in the attached document. This will include the citing and impounding of vehicles parked on these temporarily restricted, no-parking streets. Vehicles parked on the streets noted on the attached street closures list will be towed to the Official Police Garage servicing those respective areas, at the request of the Department of Transportation. Motorists are advised to call LADOT at 1-866-TOWAWAY or check the OPG website at www.opglaviic.com to locate and redeem vehicles.

The below list details the street closures, and their approximate times, within the City of Los Angeles. Three other municipalities — West Hollywood, Beverly Hills and Santa Monica — will likely institute additional street closures.

Detailed course maps and event information are available on the internet at www.LAmarathon.com or <http://trafficinfo.lacity.org>. Additional questions can be posed to the L.A. Marathon office at (213) 542-3000. **Media representatives can contact Pat Harris of Perelman, Pioneer and Company at (323) 965-4900.**

Area residents are urged to use public transit on the day of the event. For more information, call Los Angeles County bus service at (323) GO METRO (323 466-3876) or visit the agency's trip planner web site at: www.metro.net. Drivers, bus riders, bicyclists and pedestrians are encouraged to visit LADOT's website at www.ladot.lacity.org or call (213, 310, 323, 818) 808-2273 for information about DASH, Commuter Express, bicycling in the City and an array of transportation services.

Area commuters can visit the Department's website, <http://trafficinfo.lacity.org>, for real-time traffic information. Real-time traffic reports are a product of LADOT, innovators of the Automated Traffic Surveillance and Control System (ATSAC) technology.

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26th Annual Los Angeles Marathon
 Sunday, March 20, 2011
 (Street Closures within the City of Los Angeles)

Elysian Park Av between Dodger Stadium and Sunset Bl	
Sunset Bl / Cesar Chavez Av between Douglas St and Alameda St (may be closed to Vignes St, if necessary)	
Temple St between Alameda St and Glendale Bl	
1 st St between Alameda St and Hope St	
Main St between 3 rd St and Alameda St	
Spring St between Cesar Chavez Av and 3 rd St	
Broadway between College St and 2 nd St	
Alpine St between Hill St and Alameda St	
Ord St between Hill St and Alameda St	
N. Spring St between College St and Cesar Chavez Av	
Los Angeles between Temple St and 3 rd St	3:15 AM - Closures Begin
Judge John Aiso St/San Pedro St between Temple St and 3 rd St	10:20 AM - Streets Reopen
Central Av between 1 st St and 3 rd St	
2 nd St between Alameda St and Broadway	
Hill St between Ord St and 2 nd St	
Olive St between 2 nd St and 1 st St	
Grand Av between 2 nd St and Cesar Chavez Av	
Figueroa St between 2 nd St and Alpine St	
Beaudry Av between 1 st St and Sunset Bl	
E. Edgeware Rd between Temple St and Bellevue Av	
Bellevue Av between E. Edgeware Rd and Glendale Bl	
Glendale Bl between Scott Av and Temple St	
Parkman Av between Glendale Bl and Sunset Bl	
Sunset Bl between Echo Park Av and Hollywood Bl	
Alvarado St between Glendale Bl and Temple St	3:45 AM - Closures Begin
Santa Monica Bl between Hoover St and Sunset Bl	10:52 AM - Streets Reopen
Griffith Park Bl between Effie St and Sunset Bl	
Fountain Av between Myra Av and Virgil Av	
Hillhurst Av / Virgil Av between Franklin Av and Fountain Av (may be closed to Santa Monica Bl, if necessary)	
Sunset Bl between Vermont Av and Virgil Av	
Hollywood Bl between Sunset Bl and La Brea Av	
Vermont Av between Sunset Bl and Franklin Av	
Normandie Av between Sunset Bl and Franklin Av	
Western Av between Sunset Bl and Franklin Av	3:55 AM - Closures Begin
Wilton Pl between Sunset Bl and Franklin Av	11:24 AM - Streets Reopen
Bronson Av between Sunset Bl and Franklin Av	
Gower St between Sunset Bl and Franklin Av	
Vine St between Sunset Bl and Franklin Av	
Cahuenga Bl between Sunset Bl and Franklin Av	
Highland Av between Santa Monica Bl and Franklin Av	
Orange Dr between Hollywood Bl and Sunset Bl	
Sunset Bl between Highland Av and Crescent Heights Bl	4:05 AM - Closures Begin
La Brea Av between Hollywood Bl and De Longpre Av	12:12 AM - Streets Reopen
Fairfax Av between Hollywood Bl and Sunset Bl	
Laurel Canyon Bl / Crescent Heights Bl between Hollywood Bl and Sunset Bl	
Doheny Dr between Beverly Bl and Burton Way	4:20 AM - Closures Begin
3 rd St between Robertson Bl and Doheny Dr	1:00 PM - Streets Reopen
Burton Way between Robertson Bl and Doheny Dr	
Santa Monica Bl (north side of street - westbound direction only) between Moreno Dr and Sawtelle Bl	
Beverly Glen Bl between Wilshire Bl and Santa Monica Bl	
Westwood Bl between Wilshire Bl and Santa Monica Bl	4:45 AM - Closures Begin
Veteran Av between Wilshire Bl and Santa Monica Bl	2:04 PM - Streets Reopen
Sepulveda Bl between Wilshire Bl and Santa Monica Bl (may be closed to Olympic Bl, if necessary)	
Cotner Av between Santa Monica Bl and Ohio Av	
Ohio Av between Veteran Av and Corinth Av	
San Vicente Bl between Wilshire Bl and Montana Av	
San Vicente Bl (south side of street - eastbound direction only) between Montana Av and 26 th St	5:00 AM - Closures Begin
Barrington Av between Sunset Bl and Wilshire Bl	2:52 PM - Streets Reopen
Montana Av between Bundy Dr and Barrington Av	
Kenter Av / Bundy Dr between Sunset Bl and Wilshire Bl	