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2007 Korean-American Day Festival To Showcase Korean Culture, Art, and Cuisine: Saturday, September 22nd

Sacramento, California, September 19, 2007—The City of Sacramento is home to many cultures. This Saturday, one of those cultures will be on full display at the **5th Annual Korean-American Day Full Moon Harvest Festival**. The media and public are invited to attend this rich cultural festival on Saturday, September 22nd on the west steps of the State Capitol.

The Korean-American Day Full Moon Harvest Festival celebrates the 104th year of Korean immigration to the United States. Sacramento is home to a sizable population of people of Korean descent. In 1997 the City of Sacramento established a sister-city relationship with the City of Yongsan-gu, South Korea. Representatives from Yongsan-gu will participate in Saturday's festival. As with the other cultures present in Sacramento, Korean culture and traditions help make Sacramento a diverse and vibrant city.

Saturday's festival will begin with a traditional ceremony at Sacramento City Hall. Following the ceremony, a parade filled with performers, musicians, and dignitaries dressed in colorful, traditional Korean attire will proceed from City Hall to the State Capitol. The activities which will take place on the grounds of the Capitol include Korean music and dance performances, a traditional puppet show, and a cooking contest featuring kimchi, a spicy but irresistible Korean dish.

Details:

Event: 5th Annual Korean-American Day Full Moon Harvest Festival

Date: Saturday, September 22nd

Times/Locations:

12:40p.m. to 1:00p.m. - City Hall Ceremony (915 I Street)

1:00p.m to 2:00p.m. - Parade from City Hall to State Capitol

(Parade begins at City Hall, proceeds south on 9th Street for three blocks, east on L Street for one block, and south on 10th Street, ending at the west steps of the State Capitol (**10th Street & Capitol Mall**))

2:00p.m to 5:00p.m. - Music and Dance Performances, Cultural Exhibits, and Kimchi Cooking Contest

5:00p.m to 8:00pm - Official Remarks by Mayor Heather Fargo and International Dignitaries (**5p.m**); and Continued Festival Activities

Media-related questions about this event can be forwarded to Hindolo Brima, Public Information Officer, Department of Parks and Recreation, (916) 808-5972.

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