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SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS TO JOIN GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER AT A TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY TO CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS AND APPROVAL OF A NEW MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOSPITAL

LOS ANGELES – Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas will join Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger at a Tree Lighting Ceremony to celebrate the holiday season and recent agreement between the Board of Supervisors and University of California Regents to open a new Martin Luther King, Jr., Hospital.

WHO: Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and hundreds of community residents and hospital personnel.

WHAT: A special tree lighting ceremony

WHEN: **Friday, December 18, 2009 @ 5:30 PM (rain or shine)**

LOCATION: The Martin Luther King, Jr. Multiservice Ambulatory Care Center (MACC), 12021 South Wilmington Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90059

This will be Governor Schwarzenegger's first visit to the hospital site in Willowbrook since the County and UC system agreed to form a non-profit entity to open and operate the new facility. The governor will be thanked for his strong support for the project, which was shepherded through the County by Supervisor Ridley-Thomas.

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