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

**LOS ANGELES, Calif (March 13, 2012)** The City of Los Angeles has finalized street closures and restricted parking, as well as security strategies and public safety measures, to support the 27<sup>th</sup> annual Los Angeles Marathon.

The 26.2-mile L.A. Marathon will trek along a similar route to last year, going from downtown¢ Dodger Stadium to the Pacific coast. Along the way, participants will again pass some of Los Angelesqmost famous landmarks and journey through diverse neighborhoods. The race begins on Sunday, March 18 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 17 at 8 a.m.

‰he Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) traffic officers and engineers will ensure the route in our city is safe for marathon runners and other participants+said general manager Jaime de la Vega. ‰lease drive cautiously and be sure to obey all posted ±emporary no parkingqsigns in order to help ensure a successful event.+

Various streets along the marathon route will be closed by 3:15 a.m. on March 18, 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 LADOT, California State Department of Transportation 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.

LADOT 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 (OPG) servicing those respective areas, at the request of the Department of Transportation. Motorists are advised to call (213) 485-4184 and select option 2 or check the OPG website at www.opglaviic.com to locate and redeem vehicles.

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

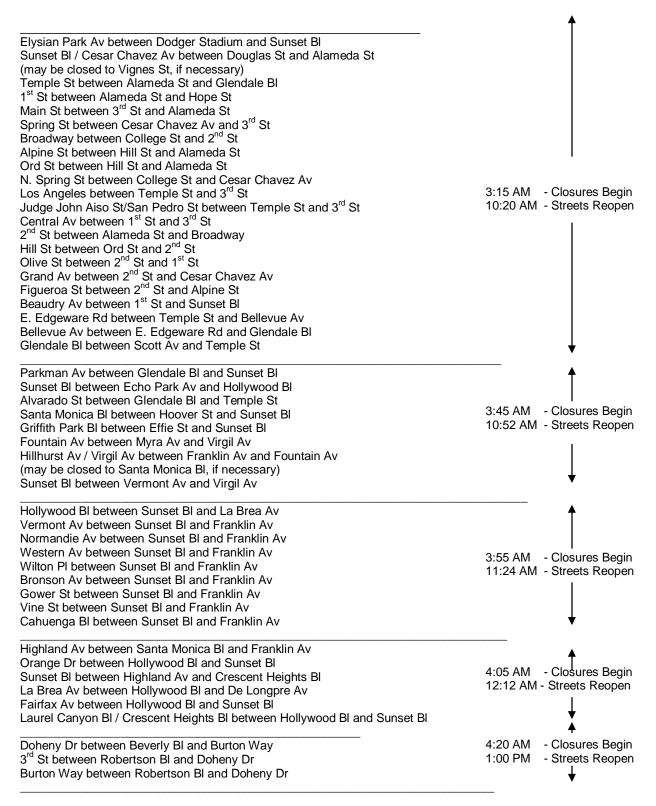
Detailed course maps and event information are available on the internet at www.LAmarathon.com or <u>http://trafficinfo.lacity.org</u>. Additional questions can be posed to the L.A. Marathon office at (213) 542-3000. **Media representatives can contact Sugerman Communications Group at (310) 974-6680**.

Area residents who use public transit may experience some delays. For more information call Metro at (323) GO METRO (466-3876) or visit the agency trip planner web site at: www.metro.net.

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## 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Los Angeles Marathon

Sunday, March 18, 2012 (Street Closures within the City of Los Angeles)



Santa Monica BI (north side of street - westbound direction only) between Moreno Dr Beverly Glen BI between Wilshire BI and Santa Monica BI Westwood BI between Wilshire BI and Santa Monica BI Veteran Av between Wilshire BI and Santa Monica BI Sepulveda BI between Wilshire BI and Santa Monica BI (may be closed to Olympic B Cotner Av between Santa Monica BI and Ohio Av Ohio Av between Veteran Av and Corinth Av	4:45 AM 2:04 PM	I - Closures Begin - Streets Reopen
San Vicente BI between Wilshire BI and Montana Av San Vicente BI (south side of street - eastbound direction only) between Montana Av Barrington Av between Sunset BI and Wilshire BI Montana Av between Bundy Dr and Barrington Av Kenter Av / Bundy Dr between Sunset BI and Wilshire BI	and 26 <sup>th</sup> St 5:00 AM 2:52 PM	<ul> <li>↑</li> <li>Closures Begin</li> <li>Streets Reopen</li> </ul>