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*****MEDIA ALERT*****

Excelsior Branch Library Celebrates Grand Reopening

What:

The Excelsior Branch Library reopens to the public following a year of closure for seismic retrofit and other improvements. A grand community celebration begins with a sidewalk parade, followed by a welcome to the new branch, gifts and entertainment, refreshments and more.

When:

Saturday, July 9, 2005

Parade 12:30 p.m.

Celebration 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Who:

Mayor Gavin Newsom, Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval, City Librarian Luis Herrera, City Administrator Ed Lee, Friends of the Library Executive Director Donna Bero, community campaign chairs Grace D'Anca and David Hooper, members of the community.

Where:

Excelsior Branch Library,
4400 Mission Street (at Cotter)

Info:

The Excelsior Branch is the first library renovation through the Branch Library Improvement Program, approved by voters in 2000. The program will upgrade nineteen branch libraries and construct five new buildings. A separate fundraising campaign by Friends of the San Francisco Public Library provided new furniture and equipment for the Excelsior Library. The branch has been remodeled, seismically upgraded, and made accessible to all. The newly renovated branch has special green features, including solar panels, natural ventilation, and added insulation throughout the building.