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## **Church of Scientology Community Center in South L.A. welcomed by City Officials at Inaugural Open House**

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City, State and Federal officials joined community leaders, residents and guests in celebrating the Church of Scientology Community Center's inaugural open house Saturday November 12. The 28,000-square-foot Community Center is located on 81st and Vermont Blvd. in South Los Angeles. L.A. City Council Member Bernard Parks welcomed the Center to his district, presenting a commendation in celebration of the inaugural Open House. The Community Center officially opened last weekend in a joint ribbon-cutting ceremony attended by 5,000 people at the Church of Scientology Inglewood just a few minutes away on Market Street.

Captain Kato of the 77th precinct urged those present to use the resources available at the Center. United States Congresswoman Maxine Waters presented the Church with a certificate of special recognition on behalf of Congress. Congresswoman Karen Bass wrote a message acknowledging the Church for "its many humanitarian initiatives and social betterment

programs for the benefit of South Los Angeles.” Live Entertainment was provided by local talent including the Community Center’s own staff.

Los Angeles City Council Member Bernard Parks presented the Church of Scientology Community Center Executives with a special commendation welcoming them to his district: “The contributions you have made to the community are truly valuable and will be long cherished by many.”

The Church of Scientology Community Center features a 380-seat event hall, the *L. Ron Hubbard Community Auditorium*, designed for community events and as a meeting ground for residents of all denominations. The Center includes numerous classrooms and seminar facilities for a full range of civic programs, including a complete literacy and tutoring center. It is open 10:00am to 9:30pm Monday through Friday and 10:00am to 6:00pm Saturday and Sunday.

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