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**STREET CLOSURES ANNOUNCED FOR ACADEMY AWARDS
CARS PARKED ILLEGALLY WILL BE TOWED**

February 18, 2009 - Hollywood, CA — Street closures and restricted parking to facilitate the production needs of the 81th annual Academy Awards on Sunday, February 22, 2009, as well as security strategies and public safety, have been finalized by the City of Los Angeles.

Numerous agencies, including the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, Caltrans and the 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.

The City of Los Angeles, Department of Transportation (LADOT) will begin to strictly enforce the restricted no-parking policy for the Academy Awards on the dates and times listed below. This will include the citing and impounding of vehicles parked on these temporary restricted no-parking streets. Vehicles parked on the following streets will be towed to the Official Police Garage, Hollywood Tow located at 1015 N. Mansfield Ave. in Hollywood at the request of the City of Los Angeles, Department of Transportation. Motorists are advised to call LADOT at 1-866-TOWAWAY or Hollywood Tow (323) 466-8583 to redeem their vehicles.

Through 6am Tuesday, Feb 24, 2009 Hollywood Blvd is closed from Orange Dr. to Highland Ave.

Beginning 12:01am Friday, February 20, 2009 to 6:30am Monday, February 23, 2009, Hawthorn Ave is closed from Highland Ave to Orange Drive.

Starting 6am Saturday, February 21, 2009 to 6am Monday, February 23, 2009, Orchid Street is closed and also Orange Dr. between Orchid Alley and Hollywood Blvd. will be closed. From 10pm, Johnny Grant Way from Highland Ave to Orchid St. will be closed as well.

Sunday, February 22, 2009 Restricted Parking Areas:

Tow-Away No Stopping, 6am to Midnight, Sunday Only

- Franklin Avenue between La Brea Ave. and Cahuenga Blvd. – Bothsides
- Hollywood Blvd. between Cahuenga and Vine – Northside
- Hollywood Blvd. between Highland & Cahuenga - Bothsides
- Hollywood Blvd. between Highland & La Brea- Bothsides
- Highland Ave. between Franklin and Sunset - Bothsides
- Hawthorn Ave. between La Brea and Highland – Bothsides
- Orange Drive between Hollywood & Sunset – Bothsides
- Sunset Blvd. between Detroit & Vine – Bothsides

- Wilcox Ave. between Sunset & Franklin – Bothsides
- McCadden Pl. between Yucca St. Hollywood Blvd.– Bothsides
- Yucca St. between Highland & Las Palmas – Bothsides
- Highland Ave. between Sunset & Santa Monica – Eastside
- Outpost Dr. between Franklin Ave. & La Presa Drive
- Outpost Circle between Outpost Dr. & Hillside Avenue
- El Cerrito Pl between Outpost Dr and Hillside Avenue Both Sides

Tow-Away No Stopping Anytime, Sunday Only – 11am to 6:00pm

- Santa Monica Blvd. between Highland a& McCadden – North side
- Santa Monica between Highland & Mansfield – South side
- Highland Ave. between Santa Monica & Sunset – East side
- Highland Ave. between Sunset & DeLongpre – East side
- Cahuenga Blvd. between Sunset & Hollywood – Both sides
- Cahuenga Blvd. between Hollywood & 101 FWY – West side
- Vine St. between 101 SB FWY & Sunset – West side
- Vine St. between Homewood & Fountain – West side
- Vine St. between Lexington & Santa Monica – West side
- Fountain Ave. between Vine & Highland – North side
- La Brea Ave. between Lexington & Santa Monica – Both sides
- La Brea Ave. between Sunset & Franklin – Both sides

MTA Bus Layover Zones

Tow Away No Stopping Anytime, Bus Layover Zone – Thursday, February 19th through Tuesday, February 24th

- Argyle Av between Selma Av and Hollywood Bl – East Side
- 100 feet of Hollywood Bl east of Argyle Av – South Side

Tow Away No Stopping Anytime, Bus Layover Zone – Thursday, February 19th through Saturday, February 21st

- 200 feet of Vine St south of Hollywood Bl – West Side

Tow Away No Stopping Anytime, Bus Layover Zone – Sunday, February 22nd

- 250 feet of Lanewood Av west of Orange Dr – South Side

Additional streets will be closed on the day of the show, Sunday, February 22nd including Highland Avenue from Sunset Boulevard to Franklin Avenue, Orange Drive from Hawthorn Avenue to Hollywood Boulevard, and Hollywood Boulevard from Cahuenga Boulevard to La Brea Avenue. Also closed on the day of the show will be the southbound Highland Avenue off-ramp from the 101 Freeway.

Details of the closures and maps of affected areas are available from the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce and Thirteenth District City Council field offices and are posted on the Academy's website, www.oscar.com/media/2009/pdf/StreetClosures.pdf

For general information about LADOT transit services, call (213, 310, 323, 818) 808-2273 or visit the LADOT website at www.ladottransit.com. Area commuters can visit <http://trafficinfo.lacity.org/> for real-time traffic information. Real-time traffic reports are a product of LADOT, innovators of Automated Traffic Surveillance and Control System (ATSAC) technology.