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PRESIDENT REAGAN'S 99TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER ELIZABETH DOLE; FEBRUARY 6, 2010

99th Birthday to Kick-Off Year Leading into President Reagan's Centennial Celebration

WHAT:

To honor President Ronald Reagan on the anniversary of his birthday, the President of the United States has designated that a program be held at President Reagan's Memorial Site at The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library each year. On this birthday, President Reagan's 99th, special keynote speaker Senator Elizabeth Dole will reflect on President Reagan from her perspective having served in the White House and the President's Cabinet.

In addition, Ronald Reagan Foundation Board of Trustees chairman Frederick J. Ryan, Jr. will make a special announcement regarding the new Reagan Library Museum, a centerpiece of the upcoming Reagan Centennial birthday celebration, and other centennial events.

Colonel Nicholas Marano, Commanding Officer at United States Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, will conduct the ceremony, which will commence at 11:00 a.m. with a music prelude beginning at 10:30 a.m. by the Camp Pendleton band. The ceremony includes a color guard, chaplain, a brass quintet, a 21-gun salute, and the placing of an official White House wreath on President Reagan's gravesite.

The ceremony will be held outdoors at The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, located at 40 Presidential Drive, Simi Valley, California 93065.

Following the ceremony birthday cake will be served in the Library's main lobby all day (while supplies last).

All birthday-related events are free to attend; regular museum admission applies to visit the exhibits. **As always, all active military will be admitted into the museum for free. Please bring current identification.** For more information, please call 805-522-2977.

THE REAGAN LIBRARY:

The Reagan Library and Museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Located at 40 Presidential Drive in Simi Valley, the Museum admission fees are \$12.00 general admission, \$9.00 for seniors 62 and over, \$6.00 for children 11-17 and free for children 10 and under. For more information on the Library and exhibits, call (800) 410-8354.