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San Francisco Fire Department Commemorates 20th Anniversary of the Loma Prieta Earthquake

(San Francisco, October 14, 2009) – On October 17th, the San Francisco Fire Department will be participating in various events throughout the city to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the Loma Prieta Earthquake of 1989.

San Francisco Fire Department's Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) will be conducting a citywide Emergency Response Drill at the Marina Green from 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. The formation of NERT was a direct response to the Loma Prieta Earthquake. More than 15,000 SF residents have been trained.

There will be several Fire Department specialized units on display for the viewing pleasure of the public at four different venues. Fire Department personnel will be distributing safety information and explaining Fire Department capabilities related to each piece of equipment.

The Portable Water Supply System, which was set up to battle the fire in the Marina 20 years ago, will be on display at the Marina Green. The Fireboat Guardian will be conducting a water display during a moment of silence, at 5:04 pm at the Marina Yacht Harbor, during the Marina Earthquake Monument dedication ceremony where Mayor Newsom, Supervisor Alioto-Pier, Fire Chief Joanne Hayes-White, Firefighters and members of the public will come together and remember those that were lost, those that lost their loved ones and those that became heroes on October 17th, 1989.

SFFD Units on Display from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Bayview District: SFFD Multi Casualty Unit

SFFD Mini Pumper

On display at Joseph Lee Recreation Center

Oakdale & 3rd Street

Mission District: SFFD Light Rescue Vehicle

SFO Airboat

On display at Parque Ninos Unidos

23rd & Folsom St.

Sunset District: SFFD Light Rescue Vehicle

SFFD CBRNE Unit

On Display at 20th Ave. & Irving Street

(Parking Lot Location)

Marina District: SFFD Mobile Command Unit

SFFD CO2 Unit

Portable Water Supply System

Fireboat Guardian

On display at Marina Green (West side)