



Unveiling the millennium marker at Angels Walk were LA Councilwoman Rita Walters and Tom La Bonge of Mayor Riordan's office. Looking on with the crowd is, left, Deanna Spector, executive director, Angels Walk LA.

MTA Celebrates LA's History, Dedication of First Millennium Marker on Angels Walk

By Ed Scannell

(Dec. 13) LA's history is coming to life with the installation of millennium markers along Angels Walk, the self-guided walking tour of downtown's Bunker Hill/Historic Core District.



Jim de la Loza, executive officer, RTP&D, joined elected officials and community leaders at the foot of Angels Flight, Monday, to unveil the first of 30 markers that will be installed along Angels Walk over the next year.

Representing the MTA were, from left, Robin Blair, Jim de la Loza, former Board member Nick Patsouras and Diego Cardoso.

Classroom without walls

Collectively, the 12-foot cylindrical markers will serve as a "classroom

without walls," highlighting the history and significance of downtown locations through the use of historic photographs and text written by Los Angeles Times columnists Patt Morrison and Cecilia Rasmussen.

Angels Walk was launched in 1997 with the support of the MTA to encourage pedestrian exploration of the Bunker Hill/Historic Core District of downtown Los Angeles.

The markers are located adjacent to the public transit system. Each features an area map that shows the proximity of Angels Walk to the Metro Red Line.

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Community Redevelopment Agency, 15 millennium markers will be installed by the end of January, 2000. Fabrication of an additional 15 markers, to be installed on the northern segment of Angels Walk during 2000, was funded by MTA in the 1999 Call for Projects.

Including the marker at Angels Flight, 10 of the first 15 millennium markers have been installed, to date, at locations including Bunker Hill, the Bunker Hill "Spanish" Steps, One Bunker Hill, 333 S. Spring Street, the Los Angeles Central Library, The Regal Biltmore Hotel, the Pacific Center, the Fine Arts Building and Pershing Square.

Future locations will include the Bradbury Building, the Million Dollar Theater & Grand Central Market, Cal Plaza/Water Court, Grand Avenue and the Oviatt Building.

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