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MTA CELEBRATES LA'S HISTORY, JOINS IN DEDICATION OF FIRST MILLENNIUM MARKER ON ANGELS WALK

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. Representatives from the MTA joined elected officials and community leaders at the foot of Angels Flight today to unveil the first of 30 markers which will be installed along Angels Walk over the next year.

The 12-foot tall cylindrical markers collectively 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 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 and each features an area map which shows the proximity of Angels Walk to the Metro Red Line subway.

Funded by the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and the 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.

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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, among others, the Bradbury Building, the Million Dollar Theater & Grand Central Market, Cal Plaza/Water Court, Grand Avenue and the Oviatt Building.

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