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NEWS RELEASE

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Community input needed to name new school in Normal Heights

School name suggestions are due March 7

SAN DIEGO – San Diego City Schools is seeking name suggestions for a new elementary school in Normal Heights, scheduled to open in Fall 2006. The new “Adams-Franklin Area Elementary School” is being built under Proposition MM, the \$1.51 billion bond measure that funds modernization of 165 existing schools and construction of 16 new/rebuilt schools.

The site of the new school in Normal Heights is bound by Edna Place and East Mountain View Drive on the north, the alley between 38th and 39th Streets and the proposed 39th Street Park on the east, the alley between Madison Avenue and Ward Road on the south, and the alley behind existing residential units, immediately east of East Mountain View Drive/Madison Avenue on the west.

If you have a school name suggestion, please submit the name, as well as a brief summary of why you think the name is appropriate or a biography of the individual for whom you think the school should be named. Send your suggestion no later than **Friday, March 7, 2003**, to Janet D. Delaney, Director of Community Relations, San Diego City Schools, 4100 Normal Street, San Diego, CA 92103. If you have any questions about the school naming process, contact Janet Delaney at (619) 725-5593, jdolaney@mail.sandi.net or by fax at (619) 725-5599.

The School Names Committee, comprised of community members and district employees, oversees the naming of new schools. The Committee reviews community suggestions before bringing a recommendation to the Board of Education.

Update on other new elementary schools in Mid-City

Brooklyn-Kimbrough Area Elementary School (33rd and C): The site has been selected. Property acquisition and relocation of residents is in process. Community members are currently participating in a Design Task Force to help design the new school. Construction begins February 2004.

Cherokee Point Elementary School (38th and Wightman): The site has been selected. Property acquisition, relocation, demolition and the Design Task Force are mostly complete. Construction begins January 2004. Cherokee Point is the name of the surrounding neighborhood area, in which the streets create the shape of an arrowhead.

Herbert Ibarra Elementary School (Winona and Orange): The site has been selected. Property acquisition and relocation are underway. The Design Task Force will reconvene in April. Construction begins March 2004. Herbert Ibarra was the first Latino principal in San Diego City Schools.

Edison/Hamilton/Parks Area Elementary School (42nd and Myrtle): The site has been selected and the relocation plan is being developed. Construction begins January 2005.

52nd Street Area Elementary School: The school district is still finalizing the environmental review of sites. The school will relieve overcrowding at Jackson and Marshall Elementary Schools. Construction begins July 2005.

For more information about Proposition MM, visit the new website at: www.sandi.net/propmm

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