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Advisory: Closing Ceremony Set for Exhibit of Wall Honoring 9/11 Victims, Military Killed in War on Terror

WHO: Cypress College’s Veterans Resource Center, the Cypress College Veterans Organization, and the Orange County-based non-profit Vision 2 Victory have teamed to bring the Global War on Terrorism Wall of Remembrance to Cypress College.

WHAT: The Wall of Remembrance is a 6-foot-tall, 94-foot-long, two-sided display featuring the names of every victim of the 9/11 attacks and those of all military personnel killed in the subsequent conflicts. The other side depicts a timeline of the Global War on Terror, beginning with the 1983 bombing of the U.S. Marines barracks in Beirut, Lebanon, which resulted in the death of 241 Americans. This is the first time it is being exhibited at an educational institution, and only the sixth time it has been on display since it was unveiled on September 11, 2011. Video of the wall is available at CypressCollege.edu.

WHEN: A closing ceremony will be held at sundown, 4:54 p.m., on November 8. The wall then be escorted off campus by the Freedom Riders motorcycle club. Round-the-clock display of the Global War on Terror Wall of Remembrance began at 8 a.m. on November 5, and continues through the closing ceremony. The wall will travel from Cypress College to the Nixon Presidential Library and Museum, where it will be displayed through the Veterans Day weekend. The closing at Cypress College offers a good opportunity to advance the visit to the Nixon Library.

WHERE: Cypress College is located in Cypress, CA, at 9200 Valley View Street. The campus is easily accessible from several major freeways, including the 5, 22, 91, 405, and 605.

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WHY: Vision 2 Victory, an Orange County-based non-profit whose mission is to fulfill the wishes of combat-wounded veterans. The organization and Cypress College’s student-veterans worked together to make this public exhibit possible as the Veterans Day holiday approaches.

About Cypress College:

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Cypress College is one of three campuses in the North Orange County Community College District and a member of the 110-campus California Community College System. The college primarily serves the cities of Anaheim, Buena Park, Cypress, Garden Grove, La Palma, Los Alamitos, Seal Beach and Stanton. Bob Simpson is the president.

Located at 9200 Valley View Street in Cypress, the college is easily accessible from several Southern California freeways, including the 5, 91, 605, 22 and 405. The campus is just a stone's-throw from Downtown Disney and Knott's Berry Farm.

More information about Cypress College is available by calling (714) 484-7000 or by visiting the campus Web site at http://www.CypressCollege.edu.