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ONTARIO'S 2018 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT

Ontario's Mayor and City Council invite members of the community to attend this year's National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 7, 2018.

Ontario residents and businesses will join over 38 million people across the nation in this year's 35th Annual National Night Out sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch. Ontario consistently ranks among the most active communities for National Night Out participation.

"Ontario's award-winning National Night Out shows our City's commitment to building a safer community," said Mayor Paul S. Leon. "One of the City Council's goals is enhance the already high-quality public safety in Ontario," he continued.

The festivities will begin with the "Party in the Park" at 5 PM at the Dorothy A. Quesada Community Center located at 1010 S. Bon View Avenue in Ontario. The Party in the Park event is open to the public and will have entertainment, food, and children's games. Public safety and community service booths will also be present with information about Ontario's Neighborhood Watch program.

Mayor pro Tem Alan D. Wapner said, "Ontario Night Out provides our police and fire departments an opportunity to meet and interact with residents in their neighborhoods, allowing everyone to become familiar with the men and women who protect our city, as well as seeing our state-of-the-art police and fire vehicles. As a retired police officer for Ontario having overseen the Ontario Night Out program for

several years, it continues to be one of my favorite events each year as it gives a chance for everyone to connect.”

Neighborhoods throughout Ontario will also be hosting their own block parties to celebrate their unity, police-community partnerships, crime prevention awareness and community involvement. Participants will have the opportunity to meet and interact with Ontario’s Mayor and City Council, representatives from regional agencies, including American Medical Response, the California Army National Guard, the California Highway Patrol, the Inland Valley Humane Society, as well as various City agencies including the Ontario Police and Fire Departments.

“Community partnerships are what make Ontario, an already thriving community, healthier and safer for residents and businesses. Thank you to all those who make this a great place to live, work and play,” said Council Member Jim Bowman.

Council Member Debra Dorst-Porada adds, “Ontario Night Out is a fantastic opportunity for our community to come together and promote safety. We have to be resilient and ready for anything, and our City’s strong civic engagement is really shown on this one night.”

Council Member Ruben Valencia said, “Being in law enforcement for nearly three decades, I have witnessed first-hand, the importance of events like Ontario Night Out. Events like this wouldn’t be possible without all of our sponsors that invest in our community and that help fund this event.” Ontario’s 2018 National Night Out event sponsors include:

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For additional information, please contact your Neighborhood Watch Block Captain or the Ontario Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at crimeprevention@ontariopolice.org or at (909) 395-2939.

About the City of Ontario

The City of Ontario is *Leading the Way* in creating urban lifestyle districts that create sustainable places to live, work and play. Located just 35 miles east of downtown Los Angeles, the City of Ontario is ideally situated as Southern California's gateway. With three major interstates, two railroads and the Ontario International Airport, Ontario offers direct access from Los Angeles to the rest of California, and to North America. With over 170,000 residents and residential development on the rise, Ontario looks to double its population in the next 20 years, making it one of the 100 most populated cities in the nation. Complementing its business and residential core, Ontario dazzles with its amenities such as the Ontario Convention Center, Citizens Business Bank Arena, and the Ontario Mills Mall. To learn more about the City of Ontario, visit www.ontarioca.gov or call (909) 395-2000.

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