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**GARCETTI ANNOUNCES \$1.935 MILLION IN STATE FUNDING
SECURED FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO HOLLYHOCK HOUSE**

Los Angeles City Council President Eric Garcetti today announced that \$1.935 million in state funding has been secured to restore the iconic Hollyhock House in Barnsdall Art Park. The California Cultural and Historical Endowment (CCHE) gave the final approval for the expenditure of these state funds.

"Frank Lloyd Wright's Hollyhock House is a cultural and historic landmark. These funds will help us give it a proper restoration so that future generations can enjoy and admire its architecture," said Council President Garcetti.

"Restoration of the Hollyhock House will create a truly exceptional centerpiece for the Barnsdall Art Park," stated Assistant Majority Leader Kevin de León, who helped to secure the state funding. "This infusion of funding from the California Cultural and Historical Endowment will finally make the transformation of this landmark into a museum with gallery and design space a reality."

The Hollyhock House is a National Historical Landmark that was designed in the 1920's by the internationally-acclaimed architect Frank Lloyd Wright. It lies perched atop Barnsdall Art Park in East Hollywood.

The Hollyhock House was damaged in the 1994 earthquake and closed for repairs. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds helped to complete the first phase of seismic retrofitting, repairs, and restoration.

The \$1.935 million in new funding for the latest phase will be administered by Project Restore to transform the Hollyhock House into a museum-quality gallery and design space. The restorations are expected to be completed by June 2012.

"Project Restore is thrilled with the recent awarding of \$1.935 million in grant funds from the California Cultural and Historical Endowment, and is proud to partner with the City in the seismic retrofit and historic restoration of the Frank Lloyd Wright designed Hollyhock House," said Ed Avila, Executive Director of Project Restore. "We are also thankful for the support and assistance of Council president Eric Garcetti and Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa."

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