

## JOSE HUIZAR Councilmember, 14th District **PRESS RELEASE**

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## COUNCILMEMBER JOSÉ HUIZAR REOPENED YOSEMITE TENNIS COURTS AND HOSTED A COMMUNITY EGG HUNT

**LOS ANGELES (March 22, 2008)** – Councilmember José Huizar hosted a community egg hunt to celebrate the grand reopening of the Yosemite Recreation Center tennis courts. For more than 20 years, thousands of Eagle Rock High School students, residents, and local youth have used the tennis courts, which have worn down over time.

"District 14 suffers from a severe lack of green space and recreational centers for its residents. I am proud to say that I fought for the Proposition 40 funds that were used to refurbish the Yosemite tennis courts, which are used every day by residents and young people," said Councilmember José Huizar.

As a member of the City's Budget and Finance Committee, Councilman Huizar fought for and secured the necessary funds to refurbish the courts. The three-month refurbishing project included leveling the old tennis courts, adding new poles, nets, and enhancing accessibility for the disabled.

The total cost of the project was \$180,000; \$108,000 were paid for by Proposition 40 funds.

"It fills my heart with joy to be here with all these children to celebrate the reopening of the Yosemite tennis courts and for the egg hunt. I recall as a child hunting for eggs on Easter and the joy it gave me to find a toy or candy inside it. I hope this egg hunt made a lot of children happy."

More than 400 children participated in the egg hunt, where six bicycles and skateboards were given away to those who found golden eggs.

The reopening and egg hunt also featured a health fair with a dozen community education booths.

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