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PADILLA ANNOUNCES \$70 MILLION IN STATE FUNDING TO REPAIR 90 MILES OF L.A. STREETS

Seventh Council District to receive \$5 million to repair 6 1/2 miles of roadways

LOS ANGELES – Councilmember Alex Padilla today announced that the City of Los Angeles will be receiving approximately \$70 million in State funding over the next two years to repair more than 90 miles of broken streets throughout Los Angeles. Formal approval of the funding will take place in Tuesday's Public Works Committee meeting at 9am. The State funding will supplement City's existing street resurfacing budget.

"Our City's streets are broken and they need to be fixed," said Padilla, Vice Chair of the City's Public Works Committee. "I am pleased that the State of California has chosen to spend its budget surplus by funding local infrastructure projects throughout California. By repairing more than 90 miles of streets throughout Los Angeles, we will go a long way towards ending our road repair crisis."

Padilla provided testimony to a State Budget conference committee in mid-2000 and advocated that part of the budget surplus be spent on road repair. Padilla also led a delegation of the California League of Cities to the State Capitol to inform legislators of local cities' budget priorities.

Councilman Padilla's district will receive approximately \$5 million over the next two years to resurface 6.42 miles of streets in Pacoima, Arleta, and North Hollywood. In addition, the Seventh Council District is slated to have 21 miles of streets resurfaced with funding from the City's annual budget.

The 7th Council District serves the communities of Arleta, Lake View Terrace, Mission Hills, North Hills, North Hollywood, Pacoima, Panorama City, Sun Valley, Sylmar, and Van Nuys.

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