

## Media Alert

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## Houston Parks and Recreation Department HonorsLady Bird Johnson with Tribute Wildflower Planting

Seeds Planted This Fall Will Bring Springtime Beauty

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department will hold its 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Tribute Planting on Saturday, October 19, beginning at 9:00 a.m. to pay tribute to Lady Bird Johnson. There will be four planting sites available for photo opportunities. Please be aware that this event will be completed at each site once all the seeds are dispersed and can end before the 11:00 a.m. scheduled end time.

- Who: Volunteers from across Houston Houston Parks and Recreation Department staff
- What: Lady Bird Johnson Tribute Wildflower Planting
- When: October 19, 2013 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Where: Herman Brown Park 400 Mercury, Houston, TX 77013

Mason Park 541 South 75<sup>th</sup> Street, Houston, TX 77023

West Heritage Trail 1031 Stude, Houston, TX 77009

West Orem Esplanades 3225 West Orem, Houston, TX 77045

Why: To plant wildflowers for spring blooms

The Lady Bird Johnson Tribute Wildflower Planting honors the former First Lady, who promoted the use of wildflowers and native plants in public beautification projects. Her efforts have led her to be considered one of America's first environmentalists. Now in its seventh year, the wildflower planting is a favorite volunteer project in Houston.

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department (H.P.A.R.D.) stewards and manages over 37,832 acres of parkland and greenspace for the City of Houston and develops and implements recreational programming for citizens of all abilities. For more information on the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, call (832) 395-7022 or visit www.houstonparks.org.