Mission Viejo Community Receives Recognition

Aurora, CO - The City of Mission Viejo California and the City of Aurora Colorado have made proclamations in honor of Mission Viejo Colorado's 35th anniversary. Both formal proclamations are on display at the Aurora History Museum at 15051 East Alameda Parkway as part of the Mission Viejo Aurora's neighborhood 35th anniversary exhibition. This exhibition is open Tuesdays - Friday 9 AM- 4 PM, Saturday and Sunday 11 AM - 4 PM. The Aurora History Museum is closed on Mondays, admission is free. In conjunction with this exhibit is a display at the Mission Viejo Library in Aurora developed by the City of Mission Viejo California on Mission Viejo California which is Mission Viejo Aurora Colorado's sister community. Mission Viejo Library is located at 15324 E. Hampden Circle in Aurora, Library hours are 10 AM- 9 PM Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 AM - 6 PM Wednesday - Saturday, admission for this is also free. Both exhibits will be on display till June 17, 2007.

"The Mission Viejo Aurora neighborhood is very unique in having recognition given to it by not only by the city in which it is in (Aurora, Colorado) but also by the City of Mission Viejo in California." said Mission Viejo HOA President Todd McMahon. The Mission Viejo Homeowners' Association Inc. has worked hard to develop a relationship with its California roots and hopes to educate the neighborhood and the City of Aurora.
about this unique relationship but to also send back to California for display the exhibit on Mission Viejo Aurora. "It’s a great opportunity to share our connected past; many in the Aurora community did not know about the Mission Viejo California connection and many in California have never heard about us either" remarked Todd McMahon. "Try to name another suburban community in the country that has such a connection - Mission Viejo is one of kind. The first filings are true genuine "Brady Bunch" homes which I am sure will attract some to Mission Viejo Aurora, a hip, retro, family-oriented neighborhood.”

Mission Viejo Colorado is a master planned community built in the same design as Mission Viejo California with "Barcelona" entrance walls, Mission Bell street lights and two parkways (Alicia and Marguerite) named in honor of matriarchs from Rancho Mission Viejo in California, the original ranch where the City of Mission Viejo was developed. The developers, the Mission Viejo Company, also initiated the developments of Highlands Ranch in Colorado, Aliso Viejo in California and built the Lakes neighborhood in Tempe Arizona. However, only Mission Viejo Aurora and Mission Viejo California were built in a similar design. The Aurora neighborhood is looking at the possibility of having at least some of the community designated on the National Register of Historic Places. The exhibitions have also been scheduled to coordinate with Colorado's Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month and the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Historic Preservation Month.

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**Background:** The purpose of this Mission Viejo HOA is to unite the unit owners of the Mission Viejo subdivisions in Aurora, Colorado; to encourage civic improvements within said area, to encourage community activities including, but not by way of limitation, the beautification, maintenance, and general appearance of vacant and improved lots, streets, parkways, entrances, open and recreational areas situated within the area and used in common by its residents; enhance the safety of Mission Viejo; facilitate enforcement of any and all building restrictions, protective covenants, and to otherwise act in the interests of the members of the Association. The Mission Viejo Homeowners’ Association Inc. proudly celebrates 2007 as the 35th anniversary year for the community. For more information please visit us at [www.missionviejohoa.org](http://www.missionviejohoa.org).