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27th Annual Tenderloin Autumn Moon Festival **Celebrating the autumn moon with family and friends!**

San Francisco, CA --- This year marks the 27th year of the Tenderloin Autumn Moon Festival, a free multicultural celebration hosted by the Vietnamese Youth Development Center (VYDC). This year also is the first time that the festival has grown phenomenally from a quaint neighborhood parade to a collaborative citywide celebration!

The Festival will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2006, from 12:00 pm to 6:30 pm at the Tenderloin Children's Playground and Recreation Center at 570 Ellis Street in San Francisco.

The Tenderloin Autumn Moon Festival aims to celebrate the rich cultural diversity of the Tenderloin community. Its goals are to strengthen family and community participation in their neighborhood and to promote artistic expression within the community.

"We want to celebrate the diversity and energy of the neighborhood and remind everyone that the Tenderloin is a fun, family-oriented place," said Maria Su, VYDC Executive Director.

There will be many fun activities and entertaining performers, including: Neighborhood Lantern Parade, Asian lantern making, free lunch, raffle and prizes, award-winning VYDC films, face painting, storytelling, dance performances, and arts and crafts.

There will also be many booths from community organizations, providing important and useful information about services available. Booth space is provided to nonprofit, not-for-profit, or community organizations free of charge.

VYDC is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide immediate assistance to immigrant youth in their adjustment to American life, and to encourage and empower youth to participate actively in the development of their community. For more information about VYDC, visit www.vydc.org or call (415) 771-2600.

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