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## **San Manuel Tribal Member to be the First Person Counted for 2010 Census in the LA Region**

**WHAT:** In recognition of the contributions to the United States by American Indians and Alaska Natives, the honor of the "First Person Counted" in the 2010 Census, goes to a respected elder of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians.

U.S. Census Regional Director James Christy will mark the event as a Census Taker to enumerate the tribal elder which will begin the count of everyone residing in the Los Angeles Region.

Upon completion of the enumeration, a short program will be held in front of the San Manuel Tribal Office. A press conference will immediately follow the program ending with opportunities for Q & A. Media representatives are encouraged to attend this event to signal the beginning of the decennial census count of the thirty million plus persons living in the Los Angeles Region, (19-counties of southern California, the State of Hawaii, and U.S. Territories in the Pacific).

**WHEN:** **Friday, March 5, 2010 • 1:00pm**

**WHO:** James C. Ramos, Chairman, San Manuel Band of Mission Indians  
U.S. Bureau Officials from the Los Angeles Regional Census Center  
Congressman Joe Baca, 43<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District  
Congressman Jerry Lewis, 41<sup>st</sup> Congressional District (Invited)  
Congresswoman Mary Bono Mack, 45<sup>th</sup> Congressional District (Invited)

**WHERE:** **San Manuel Tribal Community Center**  
**26569 Community Center Drive • Highland, CA 926246**  
**(Attendees shall arrive at the main security gate, located past the San Manuel Casino for entry onto the Reservation).**

**NOTE:** **For more information or to confirm attendance, please contact:**  
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