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RTD Saves a Seat on the Bus for Rosa Parks

Stockton, CA—To honor civil rights activist Rosa Parks, San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will once again reserve the front seat of every RTD bus for her with a commemorative sign from Saturday, February 2 to Monday, February 4. Park's refusal to surrender her seat to a white male passenger while on board a Montgomery Alabama bus on December 1, 1955 triggered a wave of protests that reverberated throughout the United States. Parks' quiet and courageous act helped to change the course of American history for the better.

Breakthrough Project from Social Justice President Lusandra Vincent said, "It's so important to keep the memory of her courage alive. She changed history in our country and I think it's wonderful that the bus companies today are honoring her and will help maybe a whole new generation remember what she did and be inspired by her."

Rosa Parks Day is officially celebrated in California on the date of her birth, February 4. Regarding last year's commemoration, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Stockton Chapter President Bobby Vivens said, "I think it's a great thing, I'm happy to hear about it."

For more information about Rosa Parks, visit www.rosaparks.org

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