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RTD Honors Rosa Parks by Saving Her a Front Seat on its Local Buses

Stockton, CA—For the third year in a row, San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will reserve the front seat of every RTD Express BRT and local fixed-route bus to honor civil rights activist Rosa Parks. Over 100 buses will carry a commemorative sign on a front seat from Monday, February 3 to Wednesday, February 5 to pay tribute to Parks' stance, which contributed to equal access of public transportation to all.

"We hope by reserving a seat for Parks that passengers would pause to remember her quiet strength that made a seat available for everyone," said Gloria Salazar, who began her tenure as RTD's Chief Executive Officer earlier this week.

While on board a Montgomery Alabama bus on December 1, 1955, Parks refused to surrender her seat to a white male passenger and triggered a wave of protests that reverberated throughout the United States, changing the course of American history for the better. Parks famously said, "You must never be fearful about what you are doing when it is right." Her courage is officially celebrated in California on the date of her birth, February 4. Parks would have been 107 on this day.

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

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