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### **EL MONTE/SOUTH EL MONTE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO HOST 26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TEDDY BEAR MIXER**

***El Monte, Calif.*** – The El Monte/South El Monte Chamber of Commerce will host its 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Teddy Bear Mixer on Wednesday, December 16, 2009, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The mixer, which benefits the less-fortunate children in El Monte and South El Monte, will be held in the Grace Black Auditorium at the El Monte Community Center.

The event is open to the public and will be attended by Chamber members, community dignitaries and special guest, Assemblymember Mike Eng.

Admission is \$10, or a donation of a new toy valued at a minimum of \$10. The Chamber stipulates that donations must be new, unused and unwrapped toys such as games, sports equipment, stuffed animals and teddy bears. Toys should be appropriate for children, ages 0 to 12.

All toys and proceeds will go to the El Monte/South El Monte Emergency Resources Association for distribution to local families in need. Families will have the opportunity to personally pick up baskets and toys supplied by the ERA at the Boys Club of El Monte.

Food and drinks will be available to guests and a raffle drawing will take place during the mixer.

Those interested in making food donations and helping with supply costs for the event, or for more information, please call the Chamber at (626) 443-0180.

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