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CITY VOLUNTEERS TO CLEAN UP CONTROVERSIAL HEALY MURPHY PARK

San Antonio, TX (February 20, 2009) Approximately 30 volunteers from the City's Parks and Recreation Department will be on hand Saturday morning to spruce up Healy Murphy Park.

For the past year this pocket park has been the center of debate as the City considers selling it for hotel development. Concerned neighborhood groups want to preserve the park and are asking the City to take on the responsibility of maintaining the park. Saturday's event is a step in the right direction.

This neglected piece of green is getting a face lift that will include picking up trash around the park and fence areas, painting of basketball court poles and benches as well as raking leaves. The Salvation Army Dave Coy Center will provide food and refreshments for these volunteers as a way to say *thank you* for their hard work.

**When: Saturday, February 21, 2009
9:00 am – 10:30 am**

**Where: Healy Murphy Park
210 Nolan Street
San Antonio, TX 78211**

What: Volunteers Cleaning Up Healy Murphy Park

Representative from The Salvation Army will be available for interviews at 9am.

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