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Special Weekend Metrolink Service Saturday, January 19, 2019

Ventura, Calif. – The <u>Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC)</u> encourages Ventura County residents to take advantage of special round-trip train service between the Moorpark Metrolink station and Los Angeles Union Station on Saturday, Jan. 19.

Due to the anticipated large crowds attending the 3rd Annual Women's March LA and other Los Angeles destinations that day, VCTC and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) will sponsor a special Metrolink trip along the Ventura County Line. Attendance at the March is expected to be similar to last year's 600,000. VCTC, Metro and Metrolink hope this added train service will inspire those attending the March or heading into Los Angeles to avoid the hassle of traffic and parking.

A Metrolink weekend day pass is \$10 and, if passengers use the Metrolink app to purchase passes, they can avoid lines at ticket vending machines.

The March is scheduled from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Pershing Square in downtown Los Angeles. The train will depart Moorpark at 7:30 a.m. and Simi Valley at 7:42 a.m. The return trip will depart Union Station at 2:30 p.m. If these times don't work for passengers, they are encouraged to take the weekend Pacific Surfliner service, though Metrolink tickets will not be accepted. Parking is free at both the Moorpark and Simi Valley Metrolink stations.

"This special train service will provide an affordable and stress-free opportunity for Ventura County residents to beat the traffic and parking costs getting down to Los Angeles," said VCTC Chair Linda Parks. "We hope this service encourages both March participants and day trippers to give the train a try."

Passengers can learn more at https://www.metrolinktrains.com/destinations/womensmarch/ or by calling (800) 371-5465

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