Sacramento Archives to Open New Exhibit on Robert F. Kennedy

On Friday, October 17, 2008, the Sacramento Archives & Museum Collection Center will unveil a new photographic exhibit, The Final Odyssey of Robert F. Kennedy. The exhibit features RFK’s 1968 California campaign stops during his run for the White House. The evening will also include an address by Dr. Joseph Palermo of California State University, Sacramento’s History Department on the 40th anniversary of the presidential campaign of Sen. Kennedy. The event is free and open to the public. It begins at 7:00 p.m. at SAMCC (551 Sequoia Pacific Blvd, Sacramento).

Dr. Palermo is a well-known scholar of the 1960s and author of two books on Robert Kennedy, In His Own Right: The Political Odyssey of Senator Robert F. Kennedy and Robert F. Kennedy and the Death of American Idealism. A regular contributor to the

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Huffington Post, he is an expert in presidential politics and civil rights.

Senator Kennedy made three visits to Sacramento before the California Democratic presidential primary on June 4th. The candidate made appearances at Florin Mall, UC Davis, and in downtown Sacramento at Kennedy campaign headquarters. During his last visit on May 30th he spoke from a “whistle stop” at the Southern Pacific Depot on I Street. It was during these visits that the senator was photographed by media, which included Richard Gilmore of the Sacramento Bee and Dennis Warren of United Press International. Both of these photographer’s collections were recently donated to SAMCC and will be featured in the exhibit.

For more information please visit www.sacramentoarchives.org, or call (916) 264-7072.

SAMCC’s mission is to foster, stimulate, and promote the study and appreciation of Sacramento’s regional history. Since 1954, it has served the community by acquiring, preserving, exhibiting, and enabling access to the documentary and material culture of the region. SAMCC is administered by the City of Sacramento and is jointly funded by the City and County of Sacramento.

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