MEDIA ALERT
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Myths and Realities in a Nation of Immigrants

Free public forum on Monday, July 2 at 6:30 pm in Palo Alto

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20, 2007 – KQED presents a free public forum, "Myths and Realities in a Nation of Immigrants," on Monday, July 2 at 6:30 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Palo Alto. The forum will promote public understanding of complex immigration issues including immigration reform, the reasons why people migrate to the United States, and family reunification. Join community and faith leaders for an interactive dialogue to raise awareness of immigration issues and dispel common myths about immigrants.

The event will also feature a screening of clips from KQED's original production "Immigration Calculations" premiering on Friday, June 29 at 8:30pm on KQED Public Television 9 with SAP in Spanish.

WHAT: Free Public Forum: "Myths and Realities in a Nation of Immigrants"

WHEN: Monday, July 2, 2007
6:30 pm Light dinner & refreshments provided
7:00 pm Program starts

WHERE: First United Methodist Church
625 Hamilton
Palo Alto, CA

PANELISTS:
- Cindy Avitia, Office of Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren (D-CA 16th)
- Richard Hobbs, Director of Office of Human Relations
- Sergio Lara
- Craig Wiesner, Multifaith Voices for Peace and Justice

PARTNERS:
- American Muslim Voice
- Multifaith Voices for Peace and Justice
- Peninsula Peace and Justice Center

*KQED's **Immigration in Focus** (www.kqed.org/immigrationinfocus) is a collection of thought-provoking programs, special reports and events about the complex issues surrounding immigration. With California at the center of the immigration debate, KQED recognizes the need for accurate, balanced information and provides a platform for productive and inclusive dialogue from all perspectives. Support for Immigration in Focus is generously provided by the Evelyn and Walter Haas, Jr. Fund.*

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