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NORCO WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RECREATES HISTORY *A Two-Day Tournament and Exhibition Game Will Take Place in October*

NORCO, CA: The City of Norco and the California Rehabilitation Center (CRC) will host the Norco Rolling Devils Wheelchair Basketball Tournament on October 22-23, 2016, at Riley Gymnasium, located at 3900 Acacia Avenue, Norco, CA. The City and CRC will also hold an exhibition game at CRC on Friday, October 21, 2016 (not open to the public).

Wheelchair basketball has a rich history in Norco with the California Rehabilitation Center that dates back to CRC's time as a naval base. This event will allow the Western Riverside region to share in the history of wheelchair basketball and allow those with disabilities to compete in a nationally recognized sport.

On March 18, 1947, the first organized competition in American history between two paraplegic wheelchair basketball teams took place in Norco – Birmingham and the US Naval Hospital Norco Rolling Devils. The City of Norco and the California Rehabilitation Center hope to recreate that very first pioneering moment through this event.

For more information on the Norco Rolling Devils Wheelchair Basketball Tournament, please contact the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services at 951.270.5632 or visit www.norco.ca.us.

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The City of Norco, incorporated as a general law City in 1964 and a Charter City in 2003, is an animal-keeping and equestrian-oriented community situated along the Interstate 15 Freeway in Western Riverside County, CA. The City limits cover an area of approximately 15 square miles, where residents enjoy over 400 acres of parkland and 95 miles of pedestrian/equestrian trails. For more information, please visit www.ci.norco.ca.us.

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