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## **Earthquake Rocks State Capitol, 1906 Style For Special “Living History” Day *Community Invited to Free Event on Saturday, April 24***

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** -- Californians already know that earthquakes often shake, rattle and roll the state, but none are quite as memorable as “the Big One” -- the 1906 San Francisco Earthquake and Fire. In fact, that earth-shattering experience will be replayed by California State Capitol Museum docents during the free 1906 Earthquake Living History Day on Saturday, April 24.

Guided tours are available every 15 minutes from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (maximum 15 guests per tour). Visitors will experience re-enactments of memorable scenes in response to the great disaster recreated by paid and volunteer staff of the State Capitol Museum costumed in the attire of the period.

True to the period, visitors will greet then California Governor George Pardee, his cabinet and turn-of-the-century community members, who will bring early California’s rich history alive. Visitors can watch as California Governor George Pardee receives a telegram from President Theodore Roosevelt offering the huge sum of \$1 million for disaster relief. In addition, Attorney General Ulysses S. Webb, Secretary of State Charles Curry, and Treasurer Truman Reeves will be on hand to help the refugees, some of whom camped out on the Capitol grounds and at Sutter’s Fort. Visitors can also meet the women of Sacramento who assisted the San Francisco refugee families to obtain meal tickets, clothing and blankets. Most characters and historical figures are portrayed by the State Capitol Museum Docents, a part of California State Parks.

Interested time-travelers can call (916) 324-0333 for further event information or to join the Living History Program as a volunteer docent.

***About the California State Capitol Museum***

*The California State Capitol Museum is operated by California State Parks under contract to and supported by the California State Legislature. Open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for guided and self-guided tours of the Capitol Building and its extensive outdoor gardens, the Museum is located in the California State Capitol, in downtown Sacramento on 10<sup>th</sup> Street between L and N Streets. Admission is free. For more information, call (916) 324-0333 or visit <http://www.capitolmuseum.ca.gov>*

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