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Long Beach on Historic Day...*



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Long Beach, California, June 11, 2008 – After the historic Supreme Court decision to allow marrying of same sex couples in California, The Center Long Beach has decided to respond by performing weddings throughout the day on June 17. From 3pm to 6pm, the Center LB will be marrying couples on site. Couples will be taken in half hour increments (six slots will be available). At 7pm, The Center will have one large Mass Wedding and reception afterward. Please call The Center number below to reserve your spot.

For those interested in participating in these services, all paperwork must be done ahead of time and turned in personally at the County Registrar's office). People can apply for a license from the Los Angeles County Registrar as of 5:01pm on June 16. The addresses of County offices, and license applications, can be downloaded at the County Website at www.lamarriage.lacounty.gov, but both people need to go to the County Registrar's office to turn it in (with valid ID). Some valid ID's include driver's license, passport, resident alien card, and state ID card. The address for the County Registrar is on the web site and the fee for license is \$70.

The Center will have Reverend Sunshine Daye officiate the ceremony and sign the license. A reception will be held by The Center staff after the mass wedding at 7pm. A love offering will be requested to cover the costs of the officiate and food.

This is an historic occasion which has been long awaited by our community. Please come and join us.

About The Center Long Beach

The Gay and Lesbian Center of Long Beach is located at 2017 E. Fourth Street in Long Beach. The Center was officially incorporated in 1980 as One in Long Beach, Inc. and has been providing a variety of health, social, advocacy, legal, and service programs to the LGBT community in the Long Beach area for three decades. The Center serves approximately 21,000 lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender clients and constituents annually through 23 different programs and services.

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