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EAST PARKING GARAGE OPENING ONLY TWO WEEKS AWAY

The East Parking Garage Grand Opening Ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, November 11, 2009 tentatively between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. This ceremony marks a key moment in UH history for a number of reasons:

- The East Parking Garage is the second parking facility to open at UH and is a direct result of the university's master plan which calls for several garages to be built around the campus perimeter.
- The construction of several major projects (Undergraduate Housing, Cemo Hall, and Calhoun Lofts) has resulted in the loss of numerous parking spaces; the new garage will replace some of the loss.
- Fifteen hundred new spaces will be instantly available in the Professional Precinct area which mostly serves the College of Business, Law Center, Calhoun Lofts and other buildings located on the east edge.
- As UH's enrollment continues to increase, so will the need for adequate parking. The new garage is representative of that growth.

Between now and the opening, remaining construction work includes final painting, outside paving, and testing of equipment such as elevators, fire protection, code blue boxes, cameras and information technology.

The garage will soon be draped in twenty foot banners. University officials are expected to participate and share remarks in honor of this historical and exciting moment.

The entire campus is invited to attend the ceremony. Cake and punch will be available to the first one hundred or so attendees.

Although the facility's opening ceremony will take place on November 11, it isn't expected to be fully operational until January 1, 2010.

Students may upgrade to the East Parking Garage by signing up on a waiting list available through the Parking and Transportation website or <http://www.uh.edu/pts/> or for more info, e-mail: parking@uh.edu.



Aerial View of East Parking Garage taken October 20, 2009

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