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***BATTLE OF SAN DIEGO BAY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION***

**SAN DIEGO, CA** – The celebration of the Battle of San Diego Bay will be held Sunday, March 22, 2009 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Submarine Base Complex of Naval Base Point Loma. This annual community partnership event commemorates the battle between the Spanish and Americans on San Diego Bay, over the theft of sea otter pelts. This was the only Spanish and American ship to shore battle in California. The Fiesta is a mutual community effort between the Navy, Casa de Espana and the Fort Guijarros Museum Foundation. Captain Paul A. Marconi, Commanding Officer of Naval Base Point Loma, will deliver the opening remarks with Council Representative Matthew Awbrey being the guest speaker. Immediately following the Opening Ceremony, there will be a Fiesta Celebration at Smuggler's Cove aboard the base, adjacent to the opening ceremony.

**When:** Sunday, March 22, 2009, at 12:00 p.m.

**Where:** Naval Base Point Loma

**Media:** All interested media are asked to contact Naval Base Point Loma Public Affairs Office for credentialing and security clearance (619-553-7175).

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