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Secretary Salazar, Director Jarvis to Join New Jersey Congressional Delegation to Dedicate America's 397th National Park

Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park Newest Addition to National Park Service Family

PATERSON, N.J.—On Monday, Nov. 7, Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar and National Park Service Director Jon Jarvis will visit Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park to officially dedicate the site as the United States' 397th National Park. Salazar and Jarvis will be joined by U.S. Senator's Frank R. Lautenberg and Robert Menendez, U.S. Representative Bill Pascrell, Jr., Mayor of Paterson Jeffrey Jones, and Chairman of the Paterson Municipal Utilities Authority Erik Lowe during the signing ceremony.

Home to one of the nation's largest and most spectacular waterfalls, Great Falls was harnessed to power new industries and played a key role in shaping the American Industrial Revolution and building the U.S. economy. Designated as a National Historic Park by President Obama in March 2009, the National Park Service will continue to work with the State of New Jersey, the City of Paterson, and the community to help ensure that the history and culture of the park is preserved and interpreted for current and future generations of visitors.

WHO: Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior
Frank R. Lautenberg, U.S. Senator
Robert Menendez, U.S. Senator
Bill Pascrell, Jr., U.S. Representative
Jeffrey Jones, Mayor of Paterson
Jon Jarvis, Director of the National Park Service
Erik Lowe, Chairman of the Paterson Municipal Utilities Authority

WHAT: Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park Site Tour and Dedication Ceremony

WHEN: Monday, Nov. 7, 2011
9:30 a.m. EDT

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WHERE: Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park
72 McBride Avenue Extension
Paterson, New Jersey 07501
**Great Falls Overlook on McBride Avenue near Spruce Street*

RSVP: Media interested in attending, please RSVP to Phil Sheridan (NPS) at 215-597-0865

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