CONGRESSMAN ALAN LOWENTHAL VISITS THE CARMELITOS PUBLIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Long Beach, July 3, 2013 – The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) welcomed Congressman Alan Lowenthal to the Carmelitos Public Housing Development (Carmelitos), located in the City of Long Beach and California’s newly-created 47th Congressional District.

Carmelitos is HACoLA’s largest public housing development, with 558 family units and 155 elderly units, housing over 1,500 Los Angeles County residents all together. Aside from seeing the development’s housing components, Congressman Lowenthal toured the family learning center, as well as The Growing Experience, an award-winning, 7-acre urban farm, located centrally within Carmelitos. The farm grows vegetables and fruits using sustainable methods, and makes healthy produce available year-round to our public housing residents and the surrounding Long Beach community.
“Congressman Lowenthal has been very supportive of our public housing program, and we appreciate him taking time out of his busy schedule for a visit to see these program dollars in action,” said HACoLA Executive Director Sean Rogan.

Congressman Lowenthal successfully ran for Long Beach City Council in 1992, where he served for six years, and then continued his leadership in Sacramento, first serving three terms as a State Assembly member and then two terms as a State Senator. Congressman Lowenthal is currently the U.S. House Representative of California’s newly-created 47th Congressional District, which includes portions of Long Beach, Signal Hill, Lakewood, Cypress, Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, Garden Grove, Westminster, Stanton, and Buena Park.

For more information on the Carmelitos Public Housing Development, please call (562) 423-5464, and for more information on The Growing Experience, please contact Jimmy Ng at (562) 984-2917. All media may contact Elisa Vásquez, Public Information Officer for HACoLA, at (626) 586-1762.

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