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Mayor Michael A. Nutter officially will light City's traditional holiday trees in annual ceremony to kick off holiday season

Mayor will be joined by The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, special guest performances by the cast of Parenting 101, CAPA's Choir & Dance Troupe, Nutcracker's Mouse King, Yogi Bear, Boo Boo and more.

(Philadelphia, Dec. 2, 2010) Mayor Nutter, joined by Lisa Nutter and other guests, will turn on the lights of the annual holiday trees at both City Hall and later at LOVE Park. The focal point is a **28-foot Colorado Blue Spruce** tree donated by Comcast-Spectacor at City Hall once located outside of the famous now-defunct Spectrum. Also scheduled to participate in the program will be: City Representative Melanie Johnson (emcee); other City dignitaries; The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia; guest performances by the cast of "Parenting 101," a musical parody performing at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts; the Philadelphia High School of Creative and Performing Arts Choir & Dance Troupe in South Philadelphia; Motion N Dance featuring Disney on Ice presentation from *Toy Story 3*; the *Nutcracker's* Mouse King; Yogi Bear and Boo from Warner Brother's new movie "YOGI BEAR 3-D" and a Pyranese puppy seen in the likeness of the dog in the holiday film, *The Search for Santa Paws*. The tree's spectacular ornaments and decorations in the City Hall area are donated by Kindy's in South Philadelphia.

Christmas Village in Philadelphia, a medieval village featuring more than 50 wooden booths of European food and arts/crafts is the backdrop on City Hall's Dilworth Plaza. In LOVE Park, there will be a continuous Christmas Jazz performance featuring local jazz sensation band, "Who Cares?," the Municipal Employees Choral Ensemble and a special performance by the Broadway holiday classic, "White Christmas; complimentary roasted chestnuts and hot cider will be provided by Tir Na Nog restaurant, and treats will be available from the "Cupcake Lady" Buttercream Cupcakes and Mojo Gourmet Coffee.

City Hall Tree Lighting event sponsors are Kindy's Factory Outlet and Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

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