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ISLAMIC INFORMATION, MUSLIM CULTURES PRESENTED AT CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR

Sacramento, CA, August 1st, 2008 – The Sacramento Chapter of Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) and its 877-WHY-ISLAM project are hosting an information booth at the California State Fair from August 15th until September 1st. We will be handing out free Qurans, the holy book of Muslims, brochures and answering questions about Islam. The mission of the project is to encourage people to search for unbiased information on Islam and to promote understanding and dialogue between people of different faiths.

WhyIslam volunteers will be there to answer all questions regarding Islam, its teachings and help clear up any misconceptions. WhyIslam will also be highlighting the cultural diversity of Muslims. There are significant populations of Muslims in North America, South America, Europe, Africa and Asia. Muslims in all of these regions are bound together by Islam yet celebrate their own unique customs and cultures.

Due to the presence of much negativity and Islamophobia, the general public has the daunting task of sifting through uninformed and biased sources before they can find reliable outlets. We are providing an opportunity to anyone who has questions to have them answered by informed Muslims.

Islam, the religion of approximately 7 million Americans, promotes peace, prayer, humility as well as social, communal and family values. However, despite the many similarities and values shared with other faiths, such as Christianity and Judaism, Islam remains the most misunderstood religion in America. Ignorance is recognized as a major source for the hatred and violence that exists in today's world. By eliminating ignorance, we can help create a more peaceful and tolerant environment where we can understand and appreciate each others' faith.

About Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA)

Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) is one of the largest, non-profit, independent, grass roots organizations of Muslim Americans which focuses on Education, Outreach, Social Services and Youth programming. We are dedicated to the dissemination of correct information on Islam and Muslims through our WhyIslam project which can be found at <http://WhyIslam.org>.

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