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Statement from Mayor Chuck Reed on San José's Population Reaching 1 Million

SAN JOSE, CALIF. – Mayor Chuck Reed today issued the following statement regarding the announcement from the California Department of Finance that San José's population now exceeds 1 million residents:

Maintaining our quality of life while San José continues to grow is a big challenge, but size does matter when we are advocating on behalf of Silicon Valley in Sacramento and Washington. Being the 10th largest city in the country and having over a million residents is important when we work to get state and federal help on our initiatives.

As our city continues to grow, we have to continue to conserve resources – like water, electricity, and open space – so that we can better accommodate the creative and talented people from around the world who want to live here and keep Silicon Valley the Innovation Center of the World.

A full report by the California Department of Finance can be viewed by following this link: <http://www.dof.ca.gov/research/demographic/reports/estimates/e-1/2008-09/>.

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