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Union Bank of California Contributes \$10,000 to the JCCCNC *Supporting the JCCCNC 35th Anniversary Celebration*



SAN FRANCISCO (September 18, 2008) – The Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCCNC) is proud to announce that on March 6, 2008, Mr. Norihito Mori, Vice President and General Manager Northwestern Region of All Nippon Airways (ANA) presented a check in the amount of \$1,000 from their 2007 ANA Corporate Ekiden Relay to Paul Osaki, Executive Director of the JCCCNC, to support their youth programs.

The ANA Ekiden Corporate Relay took place at Lindley Meadows in Golden Gate Park last November. Participants were treated to a wonderful BBQ chicken lunch and great ANA air travel prizes were raffled off to qualified company running teams. The race began with the thunderous drum beats by the youth students of Gen Taiko, JCCCNC's resident taiko group, led by Melody Takata. Part of ANA's donation will go directly to Gen Taiko to help support their efforts in teaching and sharing the art of taiko with the youth in our community.

ANA has been a long-time supporter of the JCCCNC and Paul Osaki mentions, "we truly value the commitment that ANA has shown to the JCCCNC and the youth of our Japanese American community."

About JCCCNC

Envisioned by the Japanese American community, the JCCCNC will be an everlasting foundation of our Japanese American ancestry, cultural heritage, histories and traditions. The JCCCNC strives to meet the evolving needs of the Japanese American community through programs, affordable services and administrative support and facilities for other local service organizations. The JCCCNC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit community center based in San Francisco.