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**Trabuco Hills High School Thundering Mustangs Marching Unit from
Mission Viejo, California to perform in
2020 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade®**

NEW YORK, NY & MISSION VIEJO, CA - MARCH 28, 2019 - Today, the Trabuco Hills High School Thundering Mustangs Marching Unit, from the Saddleback Valley Unified School District, was selected to perform in the 2020 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade®, representing the state of California. This will mark the first Parade appearance by the band. Trabuco Hills will join the Parade to the call of "Let's Have a Parade," the iconic phrase that has signaled the start of every Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade since 1924.

Each year, the Macy's Parade Band Committee looks for bands that have the stage presence, musical and marching abilities to captivate more than 3.5 million live spectators and more than 50 million viewers. Trabuco Hills was selected from more than 100 applicants as one of nine selected bands to march in the 94th edition of the annual holiday spectacle. The band will join the revelry along with other iconic Macy's staples: floats, giant character balloons, clowns and superstar performers galore on Thanksgiving Day 2020, helping to create an unforgettable experience for millions.

"Establishing themselves as one of the premiere units in the state of California, the Trabuco Hills High School Thundering Mustangs consistently deliver exciting, highly-theatrical performances year after year on the marching field," said Wesley Whatley, Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade creative producer. "We look forward to welcoming this accomplished group of students to the streets of New York City for their debut performance in the 2020 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade!"

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“The Trabuco Hills High School Thundering Mustangs Marching Unit has maintained a consistent tradition of excellence and entertainment in Southern California for more than twenty-five years, earning ten class championships in that time frame,” said Quincy Nguyen, Trabuco Hills corps director for the marching unit.

“In 2017, Trabuco Hills was nominated by Governor Jerry Brown and Congresswoman Mimi Walters to represent the state of California at the National Independence Day Parade in Washington, D.C. These hard-working students are excited to showcase their immense skills and talents to a national audience at the 2020 Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade!” said Andy Julian, Trabuco Hills instrumental music director.

Trabuco Hills will spend the next 18 months planning for their Parade appearance. Rehearsals and creative fundraising events not only bring the school and the community closer but also prepare the students for the march of a lifetime.

For more than ninety years, Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade has given thanks to what Macy’s values most -- its loyal fans. More than 5,000 Macy’s employees and dedicated volunteers work tirelessly to create a spectacular event that entertains the cheerful crowds and provides joy to millions at home watching on Thanksgiving Day. Stretching down a more than two-mile-long route in New York City, the spectacle is alive with gleaming color, music and smiles.

About the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade:

With more than 50 million viewers across the country and more than 3.5 million spectators that line up along the streets of New York City each year, the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade is a national icon that has grown into a world-famous holiday event. For more than 90 years, the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade has marked the official start of the holiday season. Growing in size and scale, the Parade proudly marches down a more than 2-mile route in New York City with more than 8,000 participants in tow including Macy’s employees, their families, celebrities, athletes, clowns and dance groups spreading holiday cheer. The Parade also features America’s best marching bands, fabulous floats and Macy’s signature giant helium character balloons. For more information on the Macy’s Parade, please visit www.macys.com/parade or call the Parade hotline at (212) 494-4495.

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