School planning block party to celebrate new namesake

San Diego Chargers wide receiver Malcom Floyd to attend ceremony that will honor his mother

October 17, 2012 (Sacramento): A block party will be held on Saturday to celebrate Leataata “Tata” Floyd, a Seavey Circle neighborhood advocate whose work with young people inspired an SCUSD school to change its name in her honor.

Jedediah Smith Elementary elected to change its name to Leataata Floyd Elementary earlier this year, a change approved by the Board of Education. Mrs. Floyd is a longtime advocate for the Seavey Circle community in which she lives and teaches Polynesian dancing at the school. Her mentoring of youngsters has helped hundreds achieve goals of success.

Mrs. Floyd’s son, San Diego Chargers wide receiver Malcom Floyd, will attend the celebration along with his brother, Malcolm Floyd, who played for the Houston Oilers. (The brothers share the same name with different spellings.) Malcolm Floyd coaches football at C.K. McClatchy High School, where he is a teacher.

Block party festivities will include a barbecue, music and Polynesian dance performances by students and professionals.

WHAT: Block party to honor Leataata “Tata” Floyd
WHEN: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 20
WHERE: Leataata Floyd Elementary School (formerly Jedediah Smith)
401 McClatchy Way, Sacramento, CA 95818

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