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### **Youth Voice to Host Voice the Vote in Los Angeles, CA**

Los Angeles, CA—October 9, 2007— From Tuesday, October 9 until Thursday, October 11, 2007 Youth Voice is proud to announce that it is hosting its Voice the Vote national youth voter registration effort in the Garden Grove Unified School District in Los Angeles, California.

Lucia Rafanelli, a junior in the school district, heard about Youth Voice's Voice the Vote initiative through its website. Miss Rafanelli sought to host Voice the Vote at her high school and contribute to Youth Voice's goal of registering as many 18-25 year olds as possible before the 2008 election.

In fact, Miss Rafanelli's effort is serving as a pilot program, and Youth Voice has now equipped its website to facilitate other registration efforts by interested high school students across the nation. Greg Bailor, Director of Community Outreach for Youth Voice, noted, "Our ultimate goal is for young people to exert leadership and encourage their peers to become active in our society at all levels. Lucia's impressive effort proves that America's youth can have significant impact in making this happen."

Youth Voice has added a Voice the Vote page to its website where students can download directions to host Voice the Vote at their high schools as well as other information to support the voter registration. Later this month, Youth Voice will be bringing its Voice the Vote campaign to Washington, D.C. in conjunction with the Youth Leadership Initiative's Mock Constitutional Convention as well as to the campus of the University of Nevada, Reno at the Lawlor Events Center on October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Youth Voice Inc.'s mission is to help young people become active, vocal and responsible members of American society by providing a non-partisan forum to promote and foster a culture of civic engagement. Youth Voice, Inc. is entirely non profit and non-partisan. Donations, volunteers, and other help are always appreciated.

For more information about Voice the Vote or the organization, please visit us on the web at [www.youthvoiceinc.org](http://www.youthvoiceinc.org).

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