Presidential Inauguration - Frequently Asked Questions

1. When is the Presidential Inauguration?

The President and Vice President will be sworn in at noon on January 20, 2009.

2. How do I get tickets to the Inauguration?

We are currently not taking requests for Inauguration tickets. Unfortunately, due to the high demand of requests already placed, we are unable to accept any additional request for inaugural tickets at this time.

3. What if I am not a constituent of the 2nd Congressional District?

You should contact your local Representative in Congress. You can find out who your Member of Congress at http://intranet.house.gov/zip/ziplook.html

4. Is there a charge for Inauguration tickets?

No, tickets are provided free of charge.

NOTE: The public should also be aware that no Web site or other ticket outlet actually has inaugural swearing-in tickets to sell, regardless of what they may claim.

5. When will I receive my tickets?

Tickets will be distributed in early January to our office and we will notify you shortly afterwards. You must then pick up the tickets, in person, from a designated area.

6. How do I get tickets to the inaugural balls?

The Presidential Inaugural Committee is responsible for the balls and galas. Our office is not involved in the distribution of tickets for these events. General inauguration information is available at: http://inaugural.senate.gov/

7. My high school would like to march in the inaugural parade. How may I find out more information?

Requests to participate in Inauguration Day events for marching bands and other performers are collected by the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee. The Presidential Inaugural Committee will select participants from the collected requests. Further information and an application to participate may be found at http://www.ifhgner.northcom.mil/afic/

8. How do I get to the inauguration and parade?

Parking will be severely limited on Inauguration Day. Visitors are strongly encouraged to take public transportation. For information, visit http://www.wmata.com

9. Can I also reserve a U.S. Capitol tour?

Normally, our office is happy to give constituents a tour of the Capitol. Unfortunately, public tours of the Capitol Building are suspended from 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 16 through Wednesday, January 21, 2009.

10. What will the weather be like in Washington, D.C.?

January is historically cold and wet. Prepare for temperatures below freezing. Crowds will be large and you will likely be outside for several hours.

If you have further questions, please contact my Washington, D.C. office at (202) 225-5601