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## **Harbor Freeway** Open to 190th Set for July 15

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Ribon cutting ceremonies to open up a new two-mile sec-tion of the Haror freeway have been scheduled for Friday morning, July 15, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn reported today. Opening of the section be-tween Alondra Blvd. (161st St.) and 190th St. will extend the freeway a distance of 15.3 miles south from the civic cen-ter interchange and complete the portion of the freeway in Supervisor Hahn's district. Funds for the two remaining gaps south of 190th St. which will ultimately extend the Har-bor freeway to San Pedro have now been budgeted by the State Highway Department. Dedication program will be held on the freeway near the Artesia Blvd. (171th St.) inter-change.

Artesia Biva. (17111 St.) inter-change. Opening of the freeway sec-tion between Alondra and 190th marks the successful completion of a long fight by Supervisor Hahn and public of-ficials of the Southwest and South Bay areas to expedite South Bay areas to expedite construction of the busy road-way south of 124th St.

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EXTENSION of the freeway south to 190th was in danger of being delayed because the State Highway Commission had not budgeted the necessary funds, although the plans were completed and right of way was secured by the summer of 1957. In August, 1957 Super-visor Hahn led a contingent of 40 public officials and civic leaders to Sacramento and they were successful in getting the Commission to provide the nec-essary funds and the project went to construction in Sep-tencer, 1958 when the money became available.

temper, 1958 when the Money became available. The entire section between 124th and 190th was awarded as one contract, but the link between 124th and Alondra was opened in May of this year. Master of ceremonies at the opening of the Alondra-190th street segment will be Carl Hoffman, president, Harbor District Chambers of Com-merce. Other participants will include Dr. George Glassoff, president, Southside Chamber of Commerce; members of the Inter-cities highway committee, headed by William Cameron, Redondo Beach City Council-man, and Los Angeles City Council President John S. Gib-son, Jr. son, Jr.

ALSO BEING invited to par-ticipate in the ceremony are State Senator Richard Richards, Assemblyman Clayton Dills and Vincent Thomas, State Highway Commissioner Robert McClure, Commissioner Robert McClure, Mayor Robert Kane and Gar-dena City Councilmen, and Mayor Albert Isen and Tor-rance City Councilmen. Special recognition will be extended those who went to Sacramento to secure construc-

extended those who went to Sacramento to secure construc-tion funds for this segment. Supervisor Hahn pointed out that the Harbor freeway is now the most heavily traveled road-way in the world, with a daily average traffic count of 195,000 motor vehicles

average trainic count of 195,000 motor vehicles. "This fact alone justifies the hard work and effort put forth by so many community and civic leaders in getting the con-struction of the freeway ex-pedited south of 124th street," he declared.



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