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**MAYOR GARCETTI ANNOUNCES FILMMAKER JAMES CAMERON &
FORMER WHITE HOUSE NUTRITION POLICY ADVISOR SAM KASS
WILL SPEAK AT U.S-CHINA CLIMATE LEADERS SUMMIT**

LOS ANGELES -- Mayor Eric Garcetti announced today that filmmaker, environmental activist, and explorer James Cameron and former White House Senior Nutrition Policy Advisor Sam Kass will participate in next week's U.S.-China Climate Leaders Summit in Los Angeles with an event entitled "Food for Sustainable Nations," that will focus on the relationship between food and climate change.

"I'm looking forward to hearing from Jim Cameron and Sam Kass as we work to tackle climate change on the local, national, and international level," said Mayor Garcetti.

"With this Summit, Mayor Garcetti is demonstrating real leadership on climate change," said Cameron. "Climate change is one of the biggest crises of our time, and this is a historic opportunity to raise awareness and take responsibility for our planet."

The U.S.-China Climate Leaders Summit, which will be held September 15-16, 2015 at the J.W. Marriott in downtown Los Angeles, will bring together key subnational leaders from both countries to make new climate commitments and agreements. The Summit results from the historic joint climate announcement by Presidents Obama and Xi last November. Mayor Garcetti visited China the week after that announcement and offered Los Angeles as the host of this first annual event.

"Food and agriculture are at the center of climate change and essential to the goal of creating sustainable cities," said Kass. "Improving how we grow and distribute food is imperative not only to substantially reduce greenhouse gas emissions, but also to ensure that we can provide enough quality food that all families have the nourishment they need. A healthy plate is a sustainable plate."

The Summit in Los Angeles will feature a high-level plenary at which leaders declare their resolve, ambition, and actions; working-level technical exchanges to share experience and best practices; and an exhibition to engage the private sector. Breakout sessions and panel discussions will cover topics including:

- Low-Carbon City Planning
- Climate Finance, and Carbon Markets , and Incentive Programs
- Low-Carbon Urban Form and Transportation and Zero Emission Vehicles
- Climate-Smart Buildings and Green Infrastructure
- Low-Carbon Energy
- Urban Resilience and Adaptation to Climate Change

Media interested in covering the summit should contact Kristen Caloca at kcaloca@mercuryllc.com

More information is available at www.lamayor.org/climatesummit2015

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