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Orange High School Dedicates New Baseball Field

ORANGE, CA (January 13, 2012) – This past Tuesday, Major League Baseball Groundskeepers and the Baseball Tomorrow Fund hosted a ceremony unveiling the newly renovated Orange High School (OHS) baseball field. Held on-site in the city of Orange, the ceremony was emceed by Angels President Dennis Kuhl and featured guest speaker Rod Carew, Angels legend and Hall of Famer.

Orange Unified School District Superintendent of Schools Michael Christensen accepted a plaque from Barney Lopas, Director of Field Operations for the Angels, in honor of the District grounds crews that provided critical labor needed to complete the project on time.

"We are incredibly grateful for the generous contributions and tireless work put into this project by countless individuals to make this field of dreams a reality," said Principal Ernie Gonzalez.

Each year, in conjunction with the annual groundskeeper convention, the Major League Baseball Groundskeepers renovate a baseball field in need of repair. Lopas spearheaded the six-month project at OHS aided by a grant from the Baseball Tomorrow Fund and with donations from three major sponsors (Toro, Turface Athletics, and Covermaster Incorporated).

In an Angels baseball press release, Cathy Bradley, Executive Director of the Baseball Tomorrow Fund, said, "It is a pleasure to support the field renovation at Orange High School and to provide a quality and safe field for the players, who will learn the value of teamwork and community while playing the great game of baseball."