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Mayor Healy & Municipal Council to Celebrate the Holidays with Christmas Tree Lighting at City Hall Jellybean Choir to Perform

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy, the Municipal Council, and the Division of Cultural Affairs will present the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Monday, December 6, 2010 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at City Hall, 280 Grove Street.

Christmas carols and holiday favorites will be performed by Our Lady of Mercy’s Jellybeans choir and refreshments will be served.

“The holiday season is the time of year for celebrations,” said Mayor Healy. “This is the best time of year to share with others and observe all we have to be thankful for.”

About the Our Lady of Mercy Academy’s Jellybeans

The Jellybeans are eleven girls, ages 11-12, from Our Lady of Mercy Academy in Jersey City who began singing together four years ago when they were in third grade as part of the children's choir.

They sang their first original song at their school concert that year and have been doing so ever since. In fourth grade, some of the girls performed solo parts in their second song, “Round And Round,” and those girls were the beginning of The Jellybeans. A year later two of the girls helped write some of the lyrics for their new song, “A Perfect Summer’s Day” and performed it at their spring concert. This year, while in the sixth grade, they formed this group to record an album of concert songs, formally became The Jellybeans and performed for the first time at their concert as this group. Several of the girls contributed ideas for the lyrics to their newest song, “Back In School,” which became the title of their album. Quite a lot of growing up musically from third to sixth grade and they have a lot of growing ahead of them. In fact, they’re going to grow into their second album very soon. They have a lot of songs to record.

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