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Back by Popular Demand...Railtown 1897 Offers *THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride Starting December 4* *Advance Tickets on Sale Starting October 8*

JAMESTOWN, Calif. – For the second year in a row, California State Parks, the California State Railroad Museum Foundation and Railtown 1897 State Historic Park (SHP) in Jamestown are proud to present *THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride* on Fridays through Sundays from December 4 through December 20, 2015. Three festive train rides will be available each day the trains are running at 4:30 p.m., 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. First introduced in the Sacramento area in 2007 by the California State Railroad Museum, *THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride* experience in Old Sacramento State Historic Park sells out within hours and is already sold out for 2015.

Utilizing a festive locomotive decked out to reflect Christmas magic and headed to the North Pole, the staff at the Railtown 1897 SHP goes to great lengths to re-create the holiday experience depicted in the classic children's book of the same name by Chris Van Allsburg. The holiday experience includes keepsake golden tickets, hot cocoa, festive holiday cookies, Santa Claus sightings and even the coveted silver bells – the first gift of Christmas for those who still believe in Santa Claus.

Ticket prices for *THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride* at Railtown 1897 SHP are as follows: \$45 per person for coach seating, open-air car is \$160 per table of four, and \$60 per person for a VIP experience that includes First Class seating and a souvenir *THE POLAR EXPRESS™* mug. Children under two years of age are free and must be seated on an adult's lap during the ride. *THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride* is a fundraiser for the California State Railroad Museum Foundation, which supports Railtown 1897 SHP. Advance tickets are available online only; for reservations, visit www.railtown1897.org. Additionally, more information is available on *THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride* hotline at 209-984-3407.

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