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ORMOND GARAGE REPLICA DEDICATION

The City of Ormond Beach and the Motor Racing Heritage Association proudly announce the dedication of the 1904 Ormond Garage Replica on Thursday, March 28, 2013. The event will begin at 2:00 p.m. at the Birthplace of Speed Park located at the corner of A1A and Granada Blvd. Representatives from the City of Ormond Beach as well as Motor Racing Heritage will be onsite to tell the story of the Garage and the first automobile race held March 28, 1903, on the beach at Granada. The first race led to the successive speed time trials giving Ormond Beach the title of "Birthplace of Speed."

Henry Flagler ordered the construction of the Ormond Garage in the summer of 1904 after the arrival of William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., for the Speed Tournament in January of 1904. The Ormond Garage was the first building in the world constructed to house and prepare race cars and was used continually until a fire in 1976 caused its untimely demise.

The Garage Replica will house the two replica race cars purchased by the City of Ormond Beach in 2003. These cars were removed from the Birthplace of Speed Park several years later due to corrosion from the beach environment. The Ormond Garage Replica will allow these cars to be placed back in the Birthplace of Speed Park where they can be enjoyed by the public.

We sincerely thank our partners who have helped make this possible. They are Historic Shed, KDK Concrete, Trent Electric, Randy's Auto Body, members of the Motor Racing Heritage Association and the Root Family Foundation.

For more information, please call the Motor Racing Heritage Association at 386-676-7675, or visit their website at www.mrhaweb.com.

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