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VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT CELEBRATES 60TH ANNIVERSARY WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

Rosemont, Ill. – Officially incorporated January 20, 1956, the Village of Rosemont is proud to celebrate its 60th anniversary today, Wednesday, January 20, 2016. This milestone anniversary will be celebrated throughout 2016 with a series of events including the unveilings of a newly renovated waterfall and statue of founding mayor Donald E. Stephens, along with a 60th anniversary marketing campaign utilizing a colorful illustration depicting the liveliness of the Village of Rosemont. Additional anniversary events will be announced at a later date.

“Rosemont has grown tremendously from its original state as an unincorporated area in 1956 to the entertainment destination it has become today--60 years later,” said Rosemont Mayor Brad Stephens. “Every year brings new opportunities and we excited for what the next 60 years will bring.”

Several unveilings are scheduled to take place in conjunction with Rosemont’s 60th anniversary including the official unveiling of the newly renovated waterfall on the corner of River Road and Higgins Road scheduled for Sunday, May 8, 2016.

The Village of Rosemont has also commissioned artists Omri Amrany and Julie Rotblatt Amrany at Timeless Creations, known for creating the iconic Michael Jordan statue outside of the United Center and Harry Caray sculpture outside of Wrigley Field, to create a bronze-cast statue of Rosemont’s founding Mayor Donald E. Stephens at Village Hall (9501 W. Devon). The sculpture depicts Stephens shaping Rosemont into what it is today and serves as an homage to the vision he realized for the community. The statue unveiling is scheduled for Sunday, June 19, 2016.

To commemorate the 60th anniversary, the Village of Rosemont worked with contemporary illustrator Michael Crampton on a unique and vibrant illustration of Rosemont and its various popular attractions. Crampton studied illustration at Art Center College of Design. After freelancing in Los Angeles and England, he went on to become the Art Director of Neiman Marcus in Dallas. Crampton now freelances both in America and in Europe and has worked with several brands including American Airlines, American Express, Bloomingdales, Hasbro, Estee Lauder, Coca Cola, L’Occitane, Mobil, Mountain Dew, Rosewood Resorts and The White House.

Popular for decades as a convention and entertainment destination, Rosemont has long featured an abundance of upscale hotels, the state-of-the art Donald E. Stephens Convention Center (which attracts more than one million guests to 200 tradeshow, conventions and public events annually), the 19,000-seat Allstate Arena (which presents concerts, sporting events and family programming, attracting 1.4 million visitors annually and ranked third by Pollstar for worldwide concert and family programming ticket sales in 2015) and the 4,200 seat Rosemont Theatre (which hosts more than 100 performances each year).

Today's Rosemont offers even more attractions for visitors including its entertainment district, MB Financial Park at Rosemont. The 200,000 square-foot complex is home to 13 venues featuring international cuisine, nightlife, live music and comedy, state-of-the-art film and bowling venues, and more. The Park's venues surround a graceful lawn that plays host to seasonal events including concerts, festivals and a winter ice rink. The newest additions to MB Financial Park include Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises' Bub City and Joe's Live, scheduled to open February 25, 2016.

Across the street, visitors can enjoy Fashion Outlets of Chicago--the Midwest's only two-story indoor outlet shopping center. Fashion Outlets of Chicago features high-end amenities, an impressive contemporary art collection and more than 130 designer outlets including Bloomingdale's The Outlet Store, Neiman Marcus Last Call, Prada, Tory Burch and Nike Factory Store.

Other attractions in Rosemont include the Ballpark at Rosemont, home to National Pro Fastpitch World Championship-winning Chicago Bandits.

About The Village of Rosemont, Illinois: Rosemont, Illinois, Chicagoland's business and entertainment suburb, is conveniently located five minutes from O'Hare Airport and twenty minutes from Chicago's downtown. Rosemont is home to the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center, a wide variety of hotel and dining options, Allstate Arena, Rosemont Theatre and a host of entertainment and retail venues. Rosemont continues to grow and evolve based on the new vision of Mayor Bradley A. Stephens. MB Financial Park at Rosemont features an array of great dining and entertainment options. For more information, visit www.Rosemont.com.

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