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**INAUGURAL RANDY RAYBURN FRIENDSGIVING FEAST TO
LAUNCH NASHVILLE'S "HUMANS OVER HATE" INITIATIVE**

Event Date: November 21, 2024

Time: 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Location: Nashville Farmers Market, 900 Rosa L Parks Blvd, Nashville, TN 37208

WHAT:

The Inaugural Randy Rayburn Friendsgiving Feast will launch Nashville's **Humans Over Hate** initiative, aimed at confronting hate-related acts and fostering tolerance between diverse groups. This free event will feature multiple food vendors serving Thanksgiving-themed items. Speakers will introduce the **No Hate on My Plate** program, introduce different facets of the Humans Over Hate program, and discuss Mr. Rayburn's legacy. Mr. Rayburn was a beloved Nashville restaurateur, owner of iconic establishments such as the Sunset Grill and Midtown Cafe, who left a legacy of warmth, service, and bringing people together in celebration.

WHY:

The **No Hate on My Plate** program, a key feature of the **Humans Over Hate** initiative, is based on the belief that the more we know about each other, the less we fear each other. It organizes faith communities, community groups, food-centric organizations, and the business community to host meals across Nashville each month. These gatherings allow members from different religions, races, ethnicities, and socioeconomic backgrounds to discuss their experiences and build a sense of community.

Moderators will document the discussions and report findings back to the Metro Human Relations Commission (MHRC), providing insights into residents' experiences and perceptions.

These reports will inform policymakers, community leaders, nonprofits, and neighborhood organizations, offering a clearer understanding of social dynamics in Nashville and Davidson County.

WHO:

Key attendees include:

- Representatives from the Metro Human Relations Commission
- Leaders from Nashville's faith, business, and nonprofit communities
- Mr. Rayburn's friends and colleagues

VISUALS:

- Meal with attendees from various backgrounds
- Thanksgiving-themed dishes from local vendors
- Speakers discussing the Humans Over Hate initiative and Mr. Rayburn's legacy

MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES:

- Interviews with key speakers and community leaders
- Coverage of the meal as a symbol of unity and collaboration
- Insights into how the **Humans Over Hate** initiative aims to reduce fear and promote inclusivity in Nashville

RSVP:

Media outlets interested in covering the event should RSVP to Cynthia Anderson at canderson@mojomktg.com.

About the Metro Human Relations Commission

The Metro Human Relations Commission works to protect and promote the personal dignity, peace, safety, security, health, and general welfare of all people in Nashville and Davidson County. Through education and advocacy, the Commission strives to create a more just and equitable city for all.

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