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### **Mayor O'Connell Announces Upcoming Summer Celebration**

Taunton, MA...Today Mayor Shaunna O'Connell announced the City of Taunton's upcoming Summer Celebration. This free public event will be held on Friday, August 27, 2021 from 5:00-9:00PM at Hopewell Park. (The rain date is Sunday, August 29, 2021 from 5:00-9:00PM.)

The Summer Celebration will feature a K9 demonstration, obstacle course, sack races, and Giant Jenga and Giant Chess. Abilities Rec will be performing Drums Alive, a synchronized interactive brain and body drum performance. There will also be tables with activities for children set up by: the Family Resource Center of the YMCA; the Boys and Girls Club; Triumph; TRUE Diversity; Girls Inc.; Associates for Human Services; Taunton Public Library; Boy Scout Troops #40, 42, 45G, and Packs #87, #40, and #49; and Taunton Diversity Network.

Live entertainment will be provided by GQ and The Lady starting at 6:00PM, followed by fireworks around 8:30PM. A food truck pavilion will be set up, along with other options for food, but attendees are welcome to bring their own food.

A free shuttle service provided by GATRA will be available throughout the event. The shuttle service will pick up at the Pleasant Street lot (next to the Taunton Public Library) and at Court Street with drop-off at Hopewell Park. The first shuttle leaves at 4:45PM.

Mayor O'Connell is thankful to GATRA for providing free shuttle rides and for all of the Mayor's Worthy Cause sponsors whose generous contributions made the Summer Celebration possible:

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