

MEDIA ALERT

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Announcement Expected During Joe Turner's Retirement Event at **Emancipation Park**

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department and park officials will have an announcement during an event held today at Emancipation Park in the Emancipation Park Cultural Center. Mayor Sylvester Turner will be joined by park conservancies, dignitaries and community leaders for the event.

WHO: Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner

Harris County Judge Ed Emmett

Bill White, Former Mayor, City of Houston

Zinetta Burney, Chair, OST/Almeda Corridors Redevelopment Authority

CONTACT:

Beth White, President and CEO, Houston Parks Board

Steve Eckleberry, Chair, National Recreation and Park Association

Guy Hagstette, Parks Director, Kinder Foundation

Willie Jordan, Jr., Senior Project Manager, KCI Technologies, Inc. Joe Turner, Director, Houston Parks and Recreation Department

WHAT: Announcement

Joe Turner's Retirement Event

WHEN: Friday, March 24, 2017

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: **Emancipation Park Cultural Center**

3801 Dowling

Houston, Texas 77004

About the Houston Parks and Recreation Department

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department (H.P.A.R.D.) stewards and manages over 37,851 acres of parkland and greenspace for the City of Houston and develops and implements recreational programming for citizens of all abilities. For more information on the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, call (832) 395-7022 or visit www.houstonparks.org.