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Centennial Concert to Feature U.S. Navy Band and Fireworks *First City Sponsored Fireworks Display in Nearly 20 Years*

Mayor Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr. and the Peabody Centennial Committee are pleased to announce that the 'City of Peabody Centennial Concert and Fireworks Spectacular' will take place on July 23, 2016 beginning at 6:00pm at Peabody Veterans Memorial High School.

The concert will feature the United States Navy Band and will culminate with the first city-sponsored fireworks display in nearly two decades.

“What a great way to celebrate the City of Peabody’s 100th birthday,” Mayor Bettencourt said. “There will be patriotic-themed music by one of the nation’s foremost military ensembles followed by a spectacular fireworks show that will light up the sky over Coley Lee Field.”

Indeed, while the announcement that the US Navy Band would headline the concert generated considerable buzz throughout the city, the addition of a fireworks display has taken the excitement to another level. Peabody has not sponsored a fireworks display since 1998 during the tenure of the late Mayor Peter A. Torigian. For a generation of Peabody residents that meant traveling to neighboring communities to get their summertime fireworks fix.

“Fireworks displays have come a long way since 1998,” said Fire Inspector Chris Dowling who will coordinate event safety on behalf of the Peabody Fire Department. “Concert goers are going to see the very latest in advanced pyrotechnics that night and it should be something truly special.”

The 'City of Peabody Centennial Concert and Fireworks Spectacular' is free and open to the public. Limited parking will be available at Peabody High School and the McVann-O'Keefe Hockey Rink. Free shuttle service to and from satellite parking locations will also be available. For further information on parking and shuttle service, call (978)-538-5700.

For more information on this event and other Centennial events, please visit www.peabody100.com.

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