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PRESS RELEASE

Fireworks Spectacular Planned For July 4th

Mobile, Alabama, June 16, 2015 – Come share America’s birthday with us during this year’s July 4th celebration. Enjoy an afternoon of great music, good food, and true patriotic spirit on the grounds of USS ALABAMA Battleship Memorial Park, Saturday, July 4. Gates open at 5:00 p.m. and the fireworks spectacular begins at 9:00 p.m. Admission is \$5 per car.

Something very special is planned for this year’s fireworks show. The spectacular will begin with a red, white and blue salute to our area Veterans, and the finale will honor the USS ALABAMA Battleship Memorial Park’s 50th anniversary,

“Over the past 50 years, the USS ALABAMA Battleship has become an icon for the City of Mobile attracting millions of visitors and bringing our city pride,” stated Mayor Sandy Stimpson. “To continue that legacy, the 4th of July firework display will honor the thousands of veterans who live right here in Mobile - - my brother and son among them. I challenge the citizens of Mobile to follow the Battleship’s lead to honor our veterans in the midst of your Independence Day celebrations.”

Area food trucks, along with the Battleship’s snack bar, The Galley, will be selling concessions on the grounds.

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July 4th Celebration

Musical entertainment will begin at 7:00 p.m. with local band *Emerge* playing until 9:00 p.m.

The Park's traditional American flag display, *Flags of Glory*, will line the entrance of the Park again this year, compliments of the South Alabama Veterans Council.

Pack your lawn chairs and blankets and spend the evening celebrating July 4th with us. No food, grills, or alcoholic beverages are allowed inside the Park.

The USS ALABAMA will be open during our regular hours of business, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., for tours. Admission is free of charge for children 5 years of age and younger, \$6 for children ages 6 to 11, and \$15 for ages 12 through adults.

The Battleship will be closed to visitors during the event.

The July 4th celebration is presented by the City of Mobile, al.com, and USS ALABAMA Battleship Memorial Park.

USS ALABAMA Battleship Memorial Park is located at 2703 Battleship Memorial Parkway. For more information call the City of Mobile Office of Special Events, 251-208-1550.

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