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Waynesville, Missouri, Community to Celebrate Roubidoux Bridge 100th Anniversary on April 1st, 2023
Historic bridge on historic Route 66 By-Way, constructed in Spring of 1923, celebrates a “Century of Service” in April

Waynesville, MO: The City of Waynesville, Waynesville Community leaders, businesses, and leaders outside Pulaski County, MO will be hosting an anniversary 100th birthday party for the historic Roubidoux Bridge in downtown Waynesville on April 1st, 2023 from 1-3pm in Roubidoux Park by the Stage, Waynesville, MO 65583. The Roubidoux Bridge – a historic concrete arch bridge built by Koss Construction in Des Moines, IA in 1923 – is a much-beloved symbol and attraction for the Waynesville community, and predates historic Route 66 by 3 years.

To celebrate a “Century of Service” the Roubidoux Bridge 100th Anniversary Committee made up of community leaders, businesses, and the City of Waynesville was formed to organize the celebration. The event will run from 1-3pm outdoors in Waynesville’s Roubidoux Park by the Stage, and a rain delay date of April 15th has been selected should inclement weather arise.

Speakers will include:

- Former MO State Representative Steve Lynch, Master of Ceremonies
- MO Lieutenant Governor Mike Kehoe
- MO Senator Justin Brown
- State Representative Bill Hardwick
- Brigadier General Dale Crockett, US Army CBRN School Commandant
- Waynesville Mayor Sean Wilson
- Guest speaker and historian Terry Primas
- Missouri Department of Transportation (MODOT) District Engineer Machel Watkins

Sponsors include Security Bank of Waynesville MO, Lowe Chevrolet of Waynesville MO, The Route 66 Community Art Gallery, Pics by Jax LLC, and the City of Waynesville. The Waynesville High School Band will provide musical entertainment and child-friendly events such as face-painting and light refreshments will be available, as well as a Paint The Roubidoux Bridge Artist event with artist Amber Wade taking place during the event. T-Shirts, commemorative wristbands, commemorative coins, and historic bridge photos past and present will be available for those that wish to have a keepsake of the bridge anniversary.

Any and all info regarding this event or answers to questions can be found by calling 573-774-6171 or emailing doug.potts@waynesvillemo.org.

The city of Waynesville, MO is a city of about 5200 residents established in 1839 in the Missouri Ozarks located directly on historic Route 66 and Interstate 44, North of Fort Leonard Wood.

