



HISTORIC SAVANNAH FOUNDATION'S RACE FOR PRESERVATION RUNS THROUGH 5 HISTORIC DISTRICTS

SAVANNAH, GA – January 31, 2019 – Historic Savannah Foundation is slated to present the 12th Annual Race for Preservation on Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019 at 8 a.m. The 5K and 10K race will begin and end in Forsyth Park, at Gaston and Bull Streets.

This family- and pet-friendly event aims to educate runners, spectators and the Savannah community about the importance of preservation. The event showcases five historic neighborhoods (the Landmark District, Victorian District, Thomas Square/Midtown, Ardsley Park-Chatham Crescent, and Parkside) and two historic parks (Forsyth and Daffin).

Sponsors include Chatham Orthopaedic Associates, Mingledorff's, Governomics, Kole Management Company, Speros, Wet Willie's, Georgia Power, Ellsworth, Moon River, Savannah Morning News, Savannah Magazine, Quality Rock 105.3 and Lesley Francis PR. Coca-Cola, Savannah Bicycle Campaign, Lucky's Market and Southside Fire Department. They have all signed on to help ensure a successful race. All race proceeds benefit HSF's ongoing preservation work.

Registration fees from \$25-\$45 are structured to offer savings for military members, first responders, and students. Participants can register online at runsignup.com until Thursday, Feb. 21. Late registrations will be available during the packet pick-up from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22 at Fleet Feet Sports Savannah on Waters Ave.

"The Race for Preservation has always been one of HSF's most popular community events. The beautiful route through the various historic neighborhoods highlights the benefits of historic preservation," said HSF President and CEO Daniel Carey. "Our post-race celebration is also a treat for all involved – plenty of snacks and drinks for all, as well as post-race recovery, and other family activities."

For more information, please visit www.myHSF.org. Anyone interested in sponsorship opportunities can contact Kim Lyle at 912-233-7787 or klyle@myHSF.org.

Historic Savannah Foundation saves buildings, places and stories that define Savannah's past, present, and future. Following its formation in 1955, HSF started a Revolving Fund to save endangered historic properties, now totaling nearly 370 buildings throughout several of Savannah's historic districts. HSF has grown into one of the most respected local preservation organizations in the country —

emphasizing not only the protection of individual historic buildings but also the revitalization of blighted neighborhoods. HSF demonstrates the cultural, social and economic benefits of preservation as good public policy by proving that preservation and progress go hand-in-hand.

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