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Who: Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson
What: Press Conference to Address Security Measures and Other Details Ahead of the 167th Mississippi State Fair and Announce 2027 Dixie National Rodeo Entertainment
When: Tuesday, September 29, at 10:00 a.m.
Where: Mississippi Trade Mart Atrium
1207 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39202

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STATE FAIRGROUNDS, Miss. – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson invites the media to attend a press conference addressing security measures, preparations and new details ahead of the 167th Mississippi State Fair taking place October 8-18, 2026. This year's Mississippi State Fair theme is Let Freedom Ring at the Mississippi State Fair! He will also announce the planned entertainment lineup for the 2027 Dixie National Rodeo. The press conference will take place inside the Atrium of the Mississippi Trade Mart on the State Fairgrounds on Tuesday, September 29, at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Gipson will be joined by law enforcement officials partnering to provide security on the Fairgrounds during the State Fair.

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Media Note: Commissioner Andy Gipson and select officials will be available for interviews following the press conference.