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Multi-Agency Rebuilding the Walls of Safety Crime Summit to be Held June 8 at the State Fairgrounds

JACKSON, Miss. – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson and the Department of Agriculture and Commerce will host a Rebuilding the Walls of Safety crime summit in the Mississippi Trade Mart at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds on Wednesday, June 8, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Members of the community, law enforcement, churches, businesses, community organizations, legislative officials, representatives of the judicial system and all those interested in fighting crime in Jackson are invited to attend. Those attending will have the opportunity to hear from statewide officials, county and city officials, and members of state and local law enforcement including representatives from the Hinds County Sheriff's Office and the Jackson Police Department. In addition, Commissioner Gipson will give an update regarding plans to soon establish a multi-agency Crime Command Center in the historic Mississippi Guard Armory located on the Fairgrounds near the State Capitol and downtown office buildings.

The crime summit will begin with a general session followed by breakout sessions where participants will have the opportunity to discuss and share solutions for curbing crime in the capital city.

“We look forward to hosting the Rebuilding the Walls of Safety crime summit. This will provide an opportunity to bring together community members, leaders and law enforcement to discuss various ideas and ways we can all work together to deter crime in the capital city and bring criminals to justice, and in doing so, to restore peace and safety in this area of the state,” said Commissioner Gipson.

The event is free to the public. Registration is required. Participants can register online at <https://www.mdac.ms.gov/CrimeSummit/register/> or call (601) 359-1179. Please register by June 1, 2022. Visit <https://www.mdac.ms.gov/CrimeSummit/> for more information.

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