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Sons of the Revolution[™] in the State of New York, Inc. Host 103rd Annual Flag Day Parade, Celebration and Open House

New York: On Friday, June 14 from 12:00-5:00pm, Sons of the Revolution[™] in the State of New York, Inc. (SRNY) will host their annual Flag Day Parade, Celebration, and Open House, a day-long celebration of the adoption of the flag of the United States of America on June 14, 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress.

Hosted by the SRNY since 1916, the Flag Day Parade is one of the oldest running in New York City. Hundreds of marchers participate, including over 800 New York City public school children, as well as members from organizations such as the NYPD, FDNY, civic associations, veterans groups, and various historical societies. The Parade ends at approximately 12:45pm in front of the Grandstand at the corner of Broad and Pearl Streets, just outside the steps of the historic Fraunces Tavern, and beneath a stunning four-story American flag hanging from the Museum's façade. There, various local dignitaries, military veterans, and local community leaders gather, and the "What the American Flag Means to Me" student essay contest winners read their essays while a chorus of students from PS 150Q sing patriotic tunes.

"From the earliest moments of our Republic's founding, people from many places and backgrounds gathered together beneath our flag in the name of freedom and unity," said **Adam Paige Hess, Flag Day Parade Committee Chairman**. "I sincerely hope that you will take up "Old Glory" and join us in this special celebration of our Nation's flag."

The Parade and Ceremony are FREE and open to the public and no tickets are required. Following the ceremony, Fraunces Tavern Museum will offer \$1 admission until 5:00pm.

To learn more about the event and view a full schedule of events, visit www.frauncestavernmuseum.org/flag-day.

This event is made possible in part by our generous sponsors, including Peter C. Hein, and Carrot-Top Industries. All individual donors contributing \$100 or more are recognized as Parade Patrons in the event program. To <u>learn how to become a sponsor</u>, or to make a donation to support this event, <u>visit our website</u>, or contact the Development Officer, **Diego Foronda**, at <u>development@frauncestavernmuseum.org</u>.

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About Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York:

Founded in 1876 here in New York City, Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York (SRNY) is a nonprofit devoted to educating the public about the people who, in military, naval or civil service, by their acts or counsel, helped achieved American Independence.

The Society accomplishes this through many of its educational programs, including owning and operating Fraunces Tavern Museum located at 54 Pearl Street, and hosting mission related community programs such as the Flag Day Parade, Celebration, and Open House.

About Fraunces Tavern Museum:

Fraunces Tavern Museum's mission is to preserve and interpret the history of the American Revolutionary era through public education. This mission is fulfilled through the interpretation and preservation of the Museum's collections, landmarked buildings and varied public programs that serve the community. You can stand in the room where General George Washington bid farewell to his officers and explore eight additional galleries that focus on America's War for Independence and the preservation of early American history. To learn more, visit our website at frauncestavernmuseum.org.

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