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The Josh Gibson Foundation Announces Updated Schedule for Negro League Celebration Events and Adds Dollar Bank as its Presenting Partner

Pittsburgh PA, February 16, 2021 – As part of its continued efforts surrounding the anniversary of the Negro Leagues, The <u>Josh Gibson Foundation</u> announced today an updated schedule of events to celebrates the centennial of the historic formation of Negro League Baseball in America. In addition, the Foundation has announced <u>Dollar Bank</u> as its Presenting Sponsor of the Celebration.

"2020 marked the 100th Anniversary of Negro Leagues Baseball, but due to COVID-19, The Josh Gibson Foundation needed to postpone all Negro League Centennial events until 2021," said Sean Gibson, Executive Director of Josh Gibson Foundation. "We are thrilled to announce new dates for our events to continue our work with our partners — the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh and Duquesne University — and begin our work with our newest and presenting sponsor, Dollar Bank."

Below is the tentative schedule of events:

- Tuesday, February 16, 2021: Virtual press conference featuring All-Star outfielder Al Oliver and Professor Rob Ruck to announce the rescheduled events and the Dollar Bank partnership. Oliver, a key part of the Pittsburgh Pirates' 1971 World Series Championship, was a member of Major League Baseball's first all-Black lineup for the Pirates in 1971; the 50th anniversary of that historic day is September 1 of this year. Ruck is a celebrated baseball historian, author, and nationally-acclaimed scholar.
- June 25 27, 2021: Josh Gibson Negro Leagues Youth Classic Tournament celebrate good old-fashioned baseball when youth baseball teams represent historic Negro League teams in a weekend of competition and fellowship.
- o **Friday, October 29, 2021:** Celebration Symposium Rob Ruck will moderate a panel of speakers steeped in the rich history of the Negro Leagues
- Saturday, October 30, 2021: Josh Gibson Foundation Gala Celebrate the legacy of Josh Gibson and honor those making an impact in Government, Civil Service, Business, Sports, Community Service and Education through the G.I.B.S.O.N Awards.

"Dollar Bank honored to be the presenting partner of the Josh Gibson Foundation," said Jim McQuade, President and CEO, Dollar Bank. "We are proud help support their mission and be able to provide resources and access to programs that make it possible for children and young adults to reach their potential."

To learn more, please visit www.joshgibson.org.

ABOUT THE JOSH GIBSON FOUNDATION

The Josh Gibson Foundation believes in the endless possibilities for potential in today's youth. By providing academic and athletic programs that foster leadership and scholarship, the skills necessary for tomorrow's successes are created today. Our goal is to carry on the legacy of greatness and accomplishment embodied by Josh Gibson, by developing programs that help children of every level of ability reach their potential, and to create opportunities that set The Josh Gibson Foundation apart from other organizations and provides value for our communities. To learn more, please visit www.joshgibson.org

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