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East Baton Rouge Council on Aging Cancels Annual Crawfish Boil

BATON ROUGE, Louisiana (03/11/2020) – The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging regretfully announces the cancelation of our Annual Crawfish Boil that was previously scheduled for Thursday, April 9th from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm at the Capital City Event Center.

In previous years, the Annual Crawfish Boil drew over a thousand seniors. This year EBRCOA anticipated 2,300 seniors would likely participate. Because of the large anticipated participation, the cancelation of the Crawfish Boil is a precaution to help prevent the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The Center for Disease Control stresses the seriousness of COVID-19 and advises the disbandment of large gatherings. The senior community is a vulnerable population that needs to be protected and shielded from the potential transmission of the COVID-19. The EBRCOA urges the senior community to take preparedness measures and daily precautions.

"Our seniors are our top priority, although it saddens us to cancel this annual event because everyone has been looking forward to it. It is the right decision needed to protect the health and quality of life of the senior community of the East Baton Rouge Parish," said Tasha Clark-Amar, EBRCOA Chief Executive Officer.

For more information, call the Council on Aging at (225) 923-8000.

The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA) is a non-profit organization serving the senior population of East Baton Rouge Parish. Annually, our agency delivers 1,105,820 meals through our "Meals on Wheels" Program and our senior centers and meal sites.

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East Baton Rouge Council On Aging: Supporting Independence ~ Serving Seniors

Since 1973, the East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA), a 501c3 nonprofit supported by philanthropic donations and public funds (federal, state, and local), has served the seniors of East Baton Rouge Parish through a spectrum of nutritional and social services such as the nationally recognized Meals on Wheels program and over a dozen community senior centers throughout the Parish. EBRCOA is charged with discovering and meeting the growing needs of this ever-increasing population. Central to EBRCOA's mission – Supporting Independence and Serving Seniors – is proving high-quality services to seniors, the maintenance of their personal independence, and the enhancement of their storied lives while being good fiduciary stewards of public funds and trust.

More information about EBRCOA and its services can be found online at www.ebrcoa.org.