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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE HOSTING BLACK BEAR TOWN HALL

The City of Gulf Breeze Mayor and Council in partnership with the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) invites City residents to a Black Bear Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at 6:00 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Gulf Breeze Community Center located at 800 Shoreline Drive, Gulf Breeze, 32561.

Dave Telesco, FWC Bear Program Coordinator, and Kathrine McCart, Northwest FL Area Bear Biologist, will discuss bear behavior, biology, and community interactions.

The FWC has two programs that deal exclusively with bears: the Bear Management Program (BMP) and the Bear Research Program (BRP). Both programs work closely together and assist each other when needed. The BMP is in the FWC's Imperiled Species Management Section of the Division of Habitat and Species Conservation. The BMP focuses heavily on taking actions to avoid and respond to human-bear conflicts. For more information on the Bear Management Program, click on the link provided <https://myfwc.com/media/26960/2020annualreport.pdf>

State Senator Doug Broxson, State Representative Alex Andrade, and Santa Rosa County Commissioner Colton Wright will be in attendance.

One or more City Council Members may be in attendance.

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