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**Jamaica Foundation of Houston to Host Annual Independence Gala
Celebrating 62 Years of Independence**

Houston, TX – July 2024 – The Jamaica Foundation of Houston is proud to announce its Annual Independence Gala, celebrating 62 years of Jamaican independence. The event will take place on Saturday, July 27, 2024, in the elegant Red Oak Ballroom at the Norris Conference Centers – Houston/CityCentre.

The organization's Annual Independence Gala is a premier event that brings together the community to celebrate Jamaica's independence and raise funds for scholarships. Through the years, from the inception of the Annual Scholarship Program in 1985, the Jamaica Foundation and its predecessor organization has awarded more than 300 scholarships, and recipients have gone on to graduate and become respected professionals in their chosen communities.

The Jamaica Foundation of Houston is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to strengthening the cultural ties between Caribbean people and the Houston community.

The theme for this year's gala is "A Fi Wi Trend A Dweet" for Jamaica 62, which will showcase Jamaica's rich heritage through music, dance, and a silent auction. The evening's proceedings will feature the J-Unit Band, performing a repertoire of reggae from any era as well as R&B music.

"We are thrilled to host this year's gala and celebrate Jamaica's 62 years of independence," said Dr. Nicole Bent Jones, President of the Jamaica Foundation of Houston. "The event promises to be an unforgettable evening of dinner and dancing, and we are grateful for the support of our community and sponsors."

Tickets for the event are available on the Jamaica Foundation of Houston website (<https://www.jamaicafoundationofhouston.org/>) and at various Caribbean ticket outlets.

Date: Saturday, July 27, 2024

Time: 6:30 pm – 1:00 am

Location: Red Oak Ballroom at the Norris Conference Centers – Houston/CityCentre

Contact: Karlene Rose, Gala Chairperson (P 832.752.0539) or JamaicaFoundationHouston@gmail.com or Dr. Nicole Bent Jones, President (P 713.443.1564)

Join us for an extraordinary evening of celebration, culture, and fun as we raise funds for scholarships and commemorate Jamaica's 62 years of independence.

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