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RIVERS CASINO PORTSMOUTH AND LOCAL PARTNERS TO HOST VIRTUAL JOB INFORMATION FORUM

*Local Agencies will Support Workforce Development
Initiatives for New Entertainment and Gaming Destination*

PORTSMOUTH, Va.—April 15, 2021—Rivers Casino Portsmouth, developed and operated by Rush Street Gaming, along with its local community partners, Tidewater Community College, the Hampton Roads Workforce Council and Portsmouth Economic Development, will host a virtual job information forum on Tuesday, April 27 at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday, April 28 at 10 a.m. Attendees will learn about the casino industry’s hiring practices, available job opportunities at Rivers Casino Portsmouth, and services available to help them prepare for potential employment. The forum will also include insight from the community partners who will share information on their available training and certification programs.

“The Hampton Roads Workforce Council is committed to training and upskilling our regional workforce to ensure job seekers are prepared for employment opportunities,” said Shawn Avery, President & CEO, Hampton Roads Workforce Council. “Through strategic workforce development solutions and meaningful partnerships within the business community, we are able to connect employers with talent equipped to meet the demands of new industries and careers in the 757.”

“As the largest provider of higher education and workforce development training in South Hampton Roads, Tidewater Community College is invested in advancing the region’s economic development priorities and filling workforce gaps,” said Dr. Marcia Conston, President, TCC. “We are pleased to partner with Rivers Casino Portsmouth to offer our training services to prospective applicants.”

Rivers Casino Portsmouth, a \$300 million local investment, will anchor the all-new Entertainment District planned for Victory Boulevard. Rivers Casino Portsmouth will bring 1,300 permanent jobs and 1,400 temporary construction jobs to Hampton Roads—with a *Portsmouth First* commitment to hiring and contracting, along with a strong commitment to diversity and inclusion in all aspects of the project.

“Rivers Casino Portsmouth continues its robust community engagement with this event, as we strive to inform and equip future team members of Portsmouth’s newest entertainment destination. We are excited to work in collaboration with our partners at Tidewater Community College, the Hampton Roads Workforce Council and Portsmouth Economic Development,” says Delceno Miles, spokesperson for Rivers Casino Portsmouth.

“We are excited to offer Portsmouth residents free training and credentialing through our Portsmouth@Work programs and appreciate the Rush Street team’s commitment to offering

opportunities to job seekers within the City of Portsmouth,” said Robert D. Moore, Director, Portsmouth Economic Development. “It’s important to all of us at the City that our residents are prepared to fill these new entertainment industry careers, and have the pathways for success. We applaud Rush Street’s thoughtful approach to ensuring our residents are informed and competitive for the hiring process.”

For more information or to register for one of the free virtual job information forums, please visit riverscasinoportsmouth.com.

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About Rush Street Gaming: Founded by Neil Bluhm and Greg Carlin, [Rush Street Gaming](#) and its affiliates have developed and operate successful casinos in Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Des Plaines, IL (Chicago area) and Schenectady, NY. By placing an emphasis on superior design and outstanding customer service, Rush Street Gaming has become one of the leading casino developers in the United States. Existing casinos generate over \$1 billion in annual gaming revenues, and all Rush Street Gaming casinos have been voted a “Best Place to Work” or “Top Workplace” by their Team Members.

About Rivers Casino Portsmouth: Rivers Casino Portsmouth is a world-class destination—a \$300 million local investment—planned for the new Entertainment District along Victory Boulevard. The complex will feature a casino, a sportsbook, a hotel, event and conference venues, premier restaurants and more. Rivers Casino will be developed and operated by Rush Street Gaming, one of the fastest-growing casino and entertainment companies in the county.

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