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MEDIA ALERT

Riverbanks Park Commission 2015 Meeting Notice

[Columbia, SC] – The Riverbanks Park Commission will convene on the third Thursday of each month during 2015. All regularly scheduled meetings will take at place at noon at Riverbanks Zoo and Garden's Ndoki Lodge. Meeting agendas will be posted outside the Lodge 24 hours in advance and online at <u>www.riverbanks.org</u>.

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<u>About Riverbanks Park Commission</u>: The Riverbanks Park Commission is the governing authority of the Riverbanks Special Purpose District and is responsible to the citizens of the Midlands for the financial stability of the Zoo. It consists of seven members appointed for six-year terms. Two members are appointed by the Richland County Council, two by the Lexington County Council, two by the City of Columbia, and one jointly by the three entities.

<u>About Riverbanks Zoo and Garden:</u> For more than 40 years, Riverbanks Zoo and Garden has connected individuals, families and groups with the world's wildlife and wild places. It is the mission of Riverbanks to foster appreciation and concern for all living things. Riverbanks Zoo is located at 500 Wildlife Parkway, Columbia, SC 29210. The Botanical Garden entrance is at 1300 Botanical Parkway, West Columbia, SC 29169. The park is open daily from 9am to 5pm, except on Thanksgiving and Christmas days. Admission to both the Zoo and Garden is \$13.95 for adults, \$11.50 for children ages 2 – 12 and free for children 2 and under. Group rates and other discounts may apply. Year-round membership packages are also available. For more information, call Riverbanks at 803.779.8717, visit www.riverbanks.org or www.facebook.com/riverbankszoo</u>.