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Media Advisory

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**THURSDAY: Agriculture & NYS Horse Breeding Development Fund
to Host Public Listening Session in Vernon**

Breeders and stakeholders invited to provide input for the program's future success

WHAT: [The Agriculture & NYS Horse Breeding Development Fund](#) will hold the second of three planned public listening sessions at Vernon Downs Casino Hotel on Thursday to hear public comment and inform priorities for the future of the standardbred industry throughout the state.

The Fund invites breeders and stakeholders to attend Thursday and to provide input that will help guide decisions for the overall success of the program. The sessions are free and open to the public. Those interested in attending have been asked to RSVP within 24 hours of the session by emailing info@nysirestakes.com.

An option to view the session is available for those unable to attend in person by accessing the following link:

<https://meetny.webex.com/weblink/register/rc541301d255acc3c19e47193031e4153>

(Access code: 161 737 4412) (Password: W8MdpqBdq27 (98637423 from phones))

WHEN: Thursday, March 23, 2023 - 1:00–3:00 p.m.

WHERE: Vernon Downs Casino Hotel
4229 Stuhlman Rd
Vernon, NY 13476

WHO: Ralph Scunziano, Agriculture & NYS Horse Breeding Development Fund Executive Director

Don't forget: Keep up to date with the latest news by visiting nysirestakes.com, or by signing up for the New York Sire Stakes text alert system. To opt-in, simply send the word "NYSS" to 866-615-1507.

About the Agriculture & NYS Horse Breeding Development Fund: *The Agriculture & NYS Horse Breeding Development Fund is a public benefit corporation established in 1965 by the Laverne Law (Laws of New York, Chapter 567 of the Laws of 1965). The mission of the fund is to promote agriculture*

through the breeding of Standardbred horses and the conduct of equine research within the state. To carry out its legislative mission, the Fund administers the New York Sire Stakes races, Excelsior/State Fair Series races, and County Fair Races.

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