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Illuminate Charleston: An Interfaith Dialogue on Discrimination

Charleston, S.C.—Please join Charleston Mayor John Tecklenburg and Police Chief Luther Reynolds for “Illuminate Charleston: An Interfaith Dialogue on Discrimination,” a panel discussion that will explore how the faith community responds to discrimination, at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at Central Mosque of Charleston, located at 1082 King Street.

Dr. J. Goosby Smith, Assistant Provost for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at The Citadel, will deliver the event’s keynote address and Mount Zion AME Church Reverend Dr. Kylon J. Middleton, who also serves as project leader for the Charleston Illumination Project, will moderate the discussion. The event, which is free and open to the public, is co-sponsored by the Charleston Illumination Project and the Mayor’s Clergy Advisory Council.

Panelists will include: Dr. David Goltra, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints; Rabbi Greg Kantor, Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim; Rev. Dr. Krystal Sears, Greater St. Luke AME; Rev. Wendy Hudson-Jacoby, Two Rivers United Methodist; Rev. Marshall Blalock, First Baptist; Rev. Adam Shoemaker, St. Stephen’s Episcopal; Julia Rodriguez, Spiritual Assembly of the Baha’is; and Imam Shamu Shamudeen, Central Mosque of Charleston.

Because the event will be held in a sacred Masjid, all attendees will be required to remove their shoes prior to entering the main room, and women will be given the option of accepting a traditional head scarf to wear.

WHO: Charleston Mayor John Tecklenburg
Chief Luther Reynolds, Charleston Police Department
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WHERE: Central Mosque of Charleston, 1082 King Street

WHEN: 5 p.m., Wednesday, April 24, 2019

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