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Jersey City Celebrates the 7th Annual Egyptian Festival as part of the City's 'Tapestry of Nations' Ethnic Festival Series

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy, the Municipal Council and the **Division of Cultural Affairs** proudly announce that the annual **Egyptian Festival**, being held as part of the City's 'Tapestry of Nations' Ethnic Festival series, will take place from **1:00 pm to 8:00 pm** on **Saturday, July 7, 2012** on the **Journal Square Path Plaza Concourse**.

“The Egyptian community in Jersey City is comprised of hard-working citizens that contribute to our city that continues to grow and flourish,” said **Mayor Healy**. “I encourage everyone to join this day-long festival that will feature traditional Egyptian music, entertainment, and food and learn about one of the world's greatest cultures.”

Each year, the *Egyptian Festival* celebrates the rich heritage of the ancient country and the families of Jersey City that represent Egypt today. This festival recalls the lives of the Egyptian people, who continue to create their homes, raise their families, work, and own business in our great city, state and nation.

With 30 vendors to choose from, delicious food, and entertainment, it is bound to be a memorable evening. At this day long festival guests will be able to enjoy traditional ethnic food that is a delight to the taste buds, such as shish kebobs and falafels. The music will include traditional Egyptian songs and dance that will last until 10:00 pm that evening at the Kiosk in Journal Square. All residents are encouraged to stop by and have a taste and feel of Egypt. There will also be free, limited medical and dental screening available.

Sponsored by the City of Jersey City, in conjunction with The Egyptian Committee, Jersey City Councilwoman Nidia Lopez Ward C, Bakka Corp Board of Trustee and the Journal Square Special Improvement District Management, this is an event that the whole family can enjoy and participate in. At this patriotic time of the year, what better way to celebrate America than to immerse one's self in the rich diversity of Jersey City.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information please visit www.egyptianfestivaljc.com or contact us at EgyptianFestival@aol.com.

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