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## EDWIN MCCAIN TO HEADLINE JAMMIN' AT THE AMP LEXINGTON BARBECUE FESTIVAL KICK-OFF EVENT WITH OPENING BAND CHRIS TAYLOR & THE RUMOR

Lexington, NC - (September 20, 2024) - Music fans are in for a treat as Edwin McCain is set to headline the Jammin' at the AMP Pre-Pig Shindig Festival Kick-off Event on Thursday, October 24, at the Breeden Amphitheater in Lexington, NC. The event, sponsored by Lexington Utilities, promises an unforgettable evening of live music and community spirit.

Attendees are invited to enjoy free admission in exchange for donating five cans or boxes of food per person to support Pastor's Pantry and help combat senior hunger in our community. Plan to drop off the food donations at the Pastor's Pantry truck parked at the amphitheater entrance.

Known for his chart-topping hits like "I'll Be" and "I Could Not Ask for More," Edwin McCain will bring his signature soulful voice and acoustic sound to the stage, promising an unforgettable performance under the stars. Chris Taylor & The Rumor, the opening act, is known for their high-energy shows featuring a dynamic blend of rock, country, and Southern soul. Their music will surely set the stage for a remarkable night of entertainment that will captivate fans of all ages.

The event runs from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM and will feature a variety of food truck options and ice-cold Budweiser beverages available for purchase. Attendees are encouraged to bring their friends, family, and lawn chairs for an evening of music and community celebration.

"In 2023, thanks to the incredible generosity of attendees, we collected an outstanding 2,689 pounds of food, significantly supporting Pastor's Pantry's mission of fighting food insecurity in our community. We plan to exceed that amount this year while kicking off the festival's 40th-anniversary celebration with this extra special concert," stated festival director Stephanie Saintsing Naset.

Lewie Phillips, Executive Director of Pastor's Pantry, said, "We are honored and excited to be part of the Jammin' at the Amp event this year. It is a great way to kick off the Barbecue Festival. We have been collecting food for our clients at this event for several years, and we look forward to continuing the event tradition. We are grateful to be included."

This event is the official kick-off to Lexington's 40th Annual Barbecue Festival, scheduled for Saturday, October 26. The festival is one of the most anticipated events of the year and will feature legendary Lexington-style barbecue, live music, and family-friendly attractions.

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 24, and join us in collecting food donations for Pastor's Pantry while kicking off the celebrations for the 40th anniversary of the Lexington Barbecue Festival!