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NEWS RELEASE

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ABILITYSTRONG PARADE WILL LEAD OFF ACCESSABILITY FEST

For the first time in its 12-year history, the AccessAbility Fest will start off with a parade. The abilitySTRONG Parade will begin at 9 a.m. Oct. 20 at the UTSA parking lot, and proceed along Nueva, Flores and W. Houston St., ending in front of Milam Square. Leading the parade are Grand Marshals, Mayor Ron Nirenberg and First Lady Erika Prosper, accompanied by their son, Jonah.

As part of the city's Tricentennial celebration, this parade promotes the belief that disability is a natural and beautiful part of human diversity in which people living with disabilities can take pride. abilitySTRONG is presented by disABILITYsa, the City of San Antonio's Department of Human Services Head Start Division, and the City of San Antonio's Disability Access Office. San Antonio businesses and citizens are invited to participate with parade entries, as spectators, and as volunteers.

Immediately following the parade, the AccessAbility fest takes place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Market Square. This annual event is a free, family-friendly festival with information booths, a costume contest, games, health screenings, food concessions, live entertainment, and product and program demonstrations. The fest is a gateway to information, resources and opportunities for individuals overcoming barriers to independence and inclusion due to physical, cognitive, sensory and mental health challenges. AccessAbility fest is inclusive of individuals of all abilities.

For more information, go to www.abilitySTRONGParade.org.

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The abilitySTRONG Parade & AccessAbility fest are made possible



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