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USS WISCONSIN TO CELEBRATE FOR 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Norfolk, VA (CNRMA) – The U. S. Navy and the City of Norfolk will celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the USS Wisconsin's Commissioning and the 3rd Anniversary of the ship's opening to the public at a grand ceremony on Friday, April 16th at noon. The celebration will be held on board the battleship at the Hampton Roads Naval Museum located at Nauticus in downtown Norfolk.

The event will include remarks by Virginia Senator John Warner, Rear Adm. Steve Turcotte, Commander, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic and City of Norfolk Mayor Paul Fraim. Also featured will be three musical performances provided by the Atlantic Fleet Band, Paris Pipe Band, and Navy Band – Full Speed Ahead, a 21-gun salute honoring veteran's and a flyover of Navy jets.

The event is free and open to the public.

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