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DOUG JONES

FORMER SENATOR DOUG JONES TO HOST A DISCUSSION ON DEMOCRACY: JANUARY 6TH HOW WE MOVE FORWARD ONE YEAR LATER

Birmingham, 5 January 2021 - Former Senator Doug Jones of Alabama will be holding a discussion on democracy on Friday January 7th, 2022 covering the uprising at the capital and how we can move forward as a country one year later.

“I believe that tomorrow will be an important day for us all to reflect on the events which unfolded one year ago. We need to learn from events like these so that history doesn’t repeat itself. We also need to take the opportunity to thank members of the police and national guard who protected the capital and all those who work there. Tomorrow is about quiet reflection, not partisan pandering. On Friday, I look forward to speaking with you all about how we move forward and how we learn from that fateful day to ensure the resiliency of democracy into the future. Open discussion and civil discourse is essential to a strong democracy and that is what we will do together on Friday” Senator Jones said.

The Senator will deliver remarks before opening the forum to comments and questions from the public. The event will begin at 12pm EST/11am CST on January 7, 2022. It will be streamed on the senator’s twitter page (www.twitter.com/dougjones).

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About Former Senator Doug Jones: Doug Jones is a celebrated prosecutor who brought long-overdue justice to the victims of the 16th Street Baptist Church bombing, Senator Jones has built his career on fighting impossible battles. In 2017, he shocked the political establishment by winning a special election to fill a U.S. Senate seat in Alabama—the first Democrat to do so in 25 years in the state. On Capitol Hill, he quickly built a reputation as a well-regarded and effective legislator, passing more than two dozen bipartisan bills into law in just three years.

Senator Jones is the author of *Bending Toward Justice: The Birmingham Church Bombing that Changed the Course of Civil Rights* which recounts a key moment in our long national struggle for equality and the successful prosecution of two klu klux klan members 40 years later. Senator Jones

currently serves as legal counsel with Arent Fox. He is also a Senior Distinguished Fellow with the Center for American Progress, and beginning this month will be the Jerome Lyle Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor at Boston College Law School for the Spring 2022 semester.

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