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VICKSBURG'S MCRAVEN HOUSE REOPENS

(VICKSBURG, MISS.) September 24, 2015- McRaven House opens its doors to the public Friday October 2nd after an eight-year hiatus of being on tour. The Vicksburg Convention and Visitors Bureau (VCVB) expects the home to be a major new attraction in the river city.

“The many curiosities of the contents of McRaven, both physical and spiritual will attract visitors from around the world,” said Bill Seratt, VCVB Executive Director. “It is truly one of the South’s greatest treasures.”

Named the “most haunted house in Mississippi” and the “third most haunted house in the United States,” McRaven has a haunted history for over 160 years. Buying McRaven seemed like a “no brainer” for Steven and Kendra Reed as the antiques appraised for more than the property; but it was the stories of the people who lived there set this house apart.

“We are very excited to reopen McRaven,” said Kendra Reed. “We believe it is an important part of Vicksburg's history and it has so many fabulous stories to share.”

McRaven tour home first opened to the public in 1961. It has been featured in National Geographic Magazine, LIFE Magazine, The Travel Channel, 48 Hours, and countless regional magazines and books about hauntings. Popular for being built in three different periods, National Geographic called it the “Time Capsule of the South.” Each addition to the house left the previous rooms untouched. Today McRaven is filled with museum quality antiques, true to each period. The rooms demonstrate a way-of-life for these periods that may otherwise be lost.

McRaven will be open daily from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm for history tours and at 7:00 pm and 8:30 pm for haunted tours. On Sundays, the home opens at 1:00 pm unless group reservations have been made. History tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children ages 6-18, and free for children under 6. Haunted tours are \$25. To book a tour or find out more information about McRaven, email General Manager Evan Winschel at evan@mcravenhouse.com.

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