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MEDIA ADVISORY

City officials, family to open Noah's Place Playground

Monday, November 20, 2017 at 10 a.m.

Marine Park – 102 Popes Island, New Bedford

New Bedford, Massachusetts- Mayor Jon Mitchell and city officials will join Victor and Christine Fernandes and members of the Team Noah Foundation to officially open on Noah's Place Playground, a space dedicated and accessible to children with physical disabilities.

The official opening will be Monday, November 20, 2017 at 10 a.m. at Marine Park, 102 Popes Island, New Bedford.

The playground at Marine Park on Popes Island has been a longtime goal of the Team Noah Foundation and was made possible through their fundraising efforts and the generosity of numerous donors.

About the Team Noah Foundation:

The Team Noah Foundation was founded in honor of Noah Fernandes. In 2006, Noah was diagnosed with M.E.L.A.S. – a progressive and degenerative mitochondrial disease. One of its goals is funding research for The United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation (UMDF) in hopes of one day finding a cure. Only one year after his diagnosis, Noah began attending The Schwartz Center for Children, where he received physical, occupational, speech and aquatic therapies. The foundation aims to help fill in the gaps where insurances and government funds fail. The foundation works to ensure that no child is left without the proper equipment they need – be it audio/visual, wheelchairs, walkers, or more.

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