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**DOWNTOWN AQUARIUM PROVIDES A PERMANENT HOME FOR
RESCUED TIGER CUB**

HOUSTON, TX, April 14, 2021 – Houston’s Downtown Aquarium announced today a rescued, 14-week-old tiger cub has permanently joined the family-friendly destination’s roster of more than 400 species. The male tiger cub was rescued by the Bexar County Sheriff’s Office in San Antonio before finding a temporary home at the San Antonio Zoo.

The tiger cub was found at a home in San Antonio in undesirable conditions; and will now live in the Downtown Aquarium’s Maharaja’s Temple where it will progressively adapt to its new environment of a temperature-regulated indoor exhibit and a state-of-the-art, \$4 million outdoor exhibit. The 3,500-square-foot, multilevel outdoor habitat offers lush greenery and landscaping, artificial trees, rockwork with natural substrates scattered throughout, and a tranquil waterfall that flows into a large temperature-regulated pool where he can relax and play.

The exotic animal, who requires special care, will receive proper aid and around-the-clock attention from Downtown Aquarium’s staff specialists and three top-tier veterinarians.

“We are honored that the San Antonio Zoo chose Downtown Aquarium as the tiger cub’s new home,” said Jim Prappas, Director of Animal Operations. “As an AZA-accredited facility, we were proud to assist with this rescue and continue our commitment to protecting the future of tigers and other species across the globe. He is the perfect new addition to our Downtown Aquarium family.”

Houston's Downtown Aquarium is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums (AZA), Zoological Association of America, and Humane Certified by American Humane. As accredited by the AZA, Downtown Aquarium meets and exceeds the highest standard in animal care and welfare. Downtown Aquarium employs a full-time staff, with over 55 years of zoo and aquarium experience that monitor the cats 365 days a year. In addition to the staff, there are

two veterinarians that visit the facility and provide care to the tigers several times a month and remain on-call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

For more information, please visit www.downtownaquarium.com.

About Downtown Aquarium

Landry's, Inc.'s Downtown Aquarium displays a 150,000-gallon aquarium and is home to more than 400 different species of colorful, tropical marine life including more than 30 sharks (sand tiger, white tip, brown, zebra, nurse and bamboo sharks). Fish from the Caribbean Sea, Hawaii, South Pacific and the Indian Ocean – some as large as six feet long – coexist in their tanks providing both an educational encounter and an innovative under-the-sea-themed upscale dining experience. Additional attractions include five amusement rides, midway games, dancing fountains, the Shark Voyage train ride, and more. Downtown Aquarium is located at 410 Bagby Street in Downtown Houston.

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