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Council for Quality Growth Announces Musical Tributes for the 35<sup>th</sup> Four Pillar Tribute

Honoring the Russell Family with a night of music and legacy with performances of H.J. Russell's favorite music

ATLANTA, GEORGIA – The Council for Quality Growth is excited to announce the musical tributes for the 2024 Four Pillar Tribute, taking place on October 10, 2024, at the Georgia World Congress Center. This year's event will honor the Russell family—the late Herman J. Russell Sr., Donata Russell Ross, H. Jerome Russell, and Michael Russell Sr.—for their lasting contributions to the city of Atlanta.

The tribute will feature an extraordinary musical lineup, with supporting music provided by **Lil' John Roberts and the Senators**, a renowned jazz band celebrated for their electrifying performances. Led by the iconic drummer Lil' John Roberts, whose career spans over three decades, the band is expected to bring a powerful and soulful energy to the event, setting the stage for a night of memorable music.

The main musical tribute will include performances by three prominent artists, each paying homage to musical legends beloved by the late Herman J. Russell Sr.:

- **CeeLo Green**, a five-time Grammy-winning artist and Atlanta native, will perform a selection from the legendary Sam Cooke. Known for his distinctive voice and his hits such as "Forget You," CeeLo's rendition of Cooke's music will honor one of Herman's favorite artists, bringing a touch of soul and nostalgia to the tribute.
- Chae Stephen, an established R&B and soul artist in the Atlanta region, will perform a piece by Marvin Gaye, another favorite of Herman Russell. Chae's powerful vocals and emotive style have made him a standout in the contemporary music scene, and his tribute to Gaye is expected to be one of the evening's highlights, blending the past and present in a soulful performance.
- Alexandra Jackson, a versatile vocalist known for her work in jazz, bossa nova, and R&B, will perform a
  piece by the legendary Billie Holiday. Daughter of the late Mayor Maynard Jackson, Alexandra has made
  a name for herself with her ability to seamlessly blend genres and channel the emotion and depth of the
  music she sings. Her performance at the Four Pillar Tribute is anticipated to be a soulful homage to the
  legacy of the Russell family.

In addition to these performances, the evening will begin with a special opening act from Herman J. Russell Sr.'s alma mater, the **Tuskegee University "Golden Voices" Concert Choir**, renowned for their inspiring renditions of gospel and classical music. Under the direction of Dr. Wayne Anthony Barr, the choir's performance will set a reverent and uplifting tone for the evening, celebrating the legacy of the Russell family with a powerful display of vocal artistry.

For tickets and sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.fourpillartribute.com.



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## **About the Four Pillar Tribute:**

For 35 years the Council for Quality Growth has paid tribute to an outstanding individual in the metro Atlanta region who exemplifies the Council's mission of promoting balanced and responsible growth through an annual leadership tribute gala that recognizes the 'Four Pillars' of leadership – Quality, Responsibility, Vision, and Integrity.

The Four Pillar Award and Tribute is an unparalleled honor that allows the opportunity for the metro Atlanta region and State of Georgia to celebrate the recipient's significant contributions to quality of life, community leadership, and economic development. The gala and award have come to be known as the highest honor bestowed for the contributions. The event provides a platform to align the honorees' impacts on the region and the state with the Council's ambitions and serves as a beacon of inspiration to perpetuate our economic prosperity. More information about the annual Four Pillar Tribute can be found at <a href="https://www.fourpillartribute.com/about-the-award/">www.fourpillartribute.com/about-the-award/</a>

## **About the Council for Quality Growth:**

The Council for Quality Growth is a trade organization that works to ensure continued growth and economic success for generations to come by providing advocacy, information, and education to its members. For 39 years, the Council has been committed to the mission of promoting balanced and responsible growth and is proactively involved in the formulation of policy and legislation critical to the growth and development industry. The Council addresses, head-on, strategic economic planning, infrastructure needs, and tough quality-of-life issues throughout the metro Atlanta region and state. Visit <a href="https://www.councilforqualitygrowth.org">www.councilforqualitygrowth.org</a> for more.