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Mayor Jason L. McCoy Announces Spring Street Bridge Re-Opens, Ribbon Cutting Scheduled

Vernon, CT – Mayor Jason L. McCoy is proud to announce the re-opening of the Spring Street Bridge, crossing the Hockanum River, to traffic. The bridge reopened on Friday July 23, 2010 after thirteen months of construction. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held on Thursday, August 5, 2010 at 10:30 AM at the site. Several dignitaries including representatives from the Connecticut Department of Transportation as well as the contractor and the engineers involved in the bridge project are anticipated to attend the event. All are welcome to attend.

Mayor McCoy said, “the existing bridge, which was built in 1900 and later reconstructed in 1940, was in need of replacement, based on inspections performed by the Connecticut Department of Transportation.” “This provides major safety improvement to road traffic both to the immediate neighborhoods and those traveling to Rockville for business.” said Mayor McCoy. Spring Street provides access to downtown Rockville by way of West Main Street and carries approximately 1,300 vehicles per day. The new bridge is composed of twin precast concrete arches and will provide safety to the traveling public for many years to come.

The Spring Street bridge project was administered by the Connecticut Department of Transportation in conjunction with the Town of Vernon, and funded by a 1994 Grant. Mayor McCoy said today, “ I am happy to say I kept the promise made to the citizens of Vernon and the completion of this bridge brings us one step closer to having safer streets and upgraded bridges.

For more information on this event, please contact Mayor Jason L. McCoy’s Office at (860) 870-3600. For more information about the Town of Vernon, visit www.vernon-ct.gov.

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