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City of Green Cove Springs Will Honor Caeleb Dressel at Christmas on Walnut Street

November 6, 2024 – The City of Green Cove Springs is thrilled to announce Olympian, and former Green Cove Springs resident, Caeleb Dressel will be making a special appearance at this year's Christmas on Walnut Street event! The celebration is set to take place on Saturday, December 7, 2024, from 12 PM – 9 PM, and promises to be a festive and unforgettable day.

The highlight of the evening is the Green Cove Springs Christmas Parade which will start at 6 PM and is organized by the Green Cove Springs Business League in partnership with the City of Green Cove Springs. This year's theme, "A Vintage Christmas," will light up downtown with over 70 floats sparkling with lights as they make their way along the mile of Orange Ave./US Hwy 17. As part of the parade, Mr. Dressel will be named "Hometown Hero" and will ride on a specially decorated float, embodying the spirit of the season and the pride of our community.

Mr. Dressel grew up in Green Cove Springs and attended Clay High School where he graduated with seven national high school records. He went on to win ten Olympic medals, nine of which were gold, spanning the last three Summer Games.

The festivities kick off at 12 p.m. in Spring Park, featuring over 50 craft booths and food trucks, along with free photos with Santa in the pool pavilion, hosted by GCS Elks Lodge #1892. Spring Park and City Hall will shine with the festive glow of over 250 beautifully decorated Christmas Trees, highlighted by the magnificent 45-foot City tree, which will be lit up that evening.

City Manager Steve Kennedy shared, "We are absolutely thrilled to announce that Caeleb Dressel will be joining us for this year's Christmas on Walnut Street event! Celebrating his remarkable achievements and acknowledging the incredible positive impact he's had on both our community and the world is truly an honor. This year's event promises to be unforgettable!"

Residents and visitors are encouraged to join in the festivities and celebrate the holiday season with the City. For more information about the event, visit www.greencovesprings.com and follow our social media channels for updates.

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