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PRESS RELEASE

Bayou Country Children's Museum Signs Lease for Land for \$1.00

Thibodaux, LA: It's Official -The Bayou Country Children's Museum (BCCM) and JARON Land Development entered into a lease agreement for the 2.1 acres on which the children's museum will be built in Acadia Plantation Development. JARON is co-owned by Jacob Giardina and Ronald Adams.

The agreement, in which JARON will lease the land to the BCCM for \$1.00 per year for 40 years with a 40 year extension, was signed in mid April by the two parties. Kathleen Gros, BCCM President said, "We are very happy to partner with the Bayou Country Children's Museum. (It) will be a wonderful addition to Acadia Plantation, Thibodaux and the entire Bayou Region," said Jacob Giardina.

Kathleen Gros, BCCM President said, "We are delighted to be a part of this wonderful development and to be one step closer to our ground breaking in June. We look forward to many years of serving the families, children and educators of the region."

The Bayou Country Children's Museum, is planned as a 12,500 square foot facility with 50 unique exhibits highlighting the industry, agriculture, environment and Cajun culture of south Louisiana. It will also incorporate party rooms, meeting space, picnic areas and vegetable gardens. The BCCM will be near Nicholls State University to serve children ages 2 – 12 from within an eight parish area including Assumption, Ascension, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John, St. Mary, Terrebonne and beyond. It will act as an extension of the classroom since the exhibits will correspond to the GLE's (Grade Level Expectations) for the area schools.

The Bayou Country Children's Museum is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization.
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