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GRAPEVINE RELOCATES 1908 WINFREY HOUSE IN HERITAGE PRESERVATION EFFORT

The beloved home will make its way down Historic Main Street on Tuesday, June 24 at 9 a.m.

GRAPEVINE, TEXAS (June 23, 2025) – On Tuesday, June 24, Grapevine will relocate the historic Charles Edwin and Georgia Winfrey House, continuing its longstanding commitment to heritage preservation. The move will begin at 9 a.m., starting from its current location on Shady Brook Dr. and traveling along Dove Loop Rd. and Historic Main Street to its new home at Settlement to City Museums Ted R. Ware Plaza (619 S. Church St.). The process is expected to take up to three hours.

Built in 1908 on East Franklin St., the Winfrey House was first relocated by the city to Shady Brook Dr. over 20 years ago. The upcoming move marks another effort to preserve a structure that embodies Grapevine's cultural and civic legacy.

The house was once home to Charles Edwin Winfrey, a longtime Tarrant County employee and his wife Georgia, a lifelong resident and active member of several civic organizations. The Winfreys' family ties connect to some of Grapevine's earliest settlers and most influential families, including the Starrs, Lucases and Willhoites—business owners, community leaders, and elected officials who helped shape the city.

Recognized for its connection to notable residents and its embodiment of local heritage, the Winfrey House qualifies for landmark status and remains a symbol of Grapevine's history. Its preservation ensures future generations can connect with the stories that built the community.

The Winfrey House will complete the Settlement to City Museums, a collection of 19th-century structures that includes the Donald Schoolhouse, Keeling House Museum and Grapevine Cotton Ginner's Museum. Its historic front porch will serve as a unique addition to Ted R. Ware Plaza, providing a welcoming space for children's programs, educational activities and performing arts events.

This relocation is made possible by funds raised at Grapevine's annual festivals including Main Street Fest and GrapeFest and through the Grapevine Heritage Foundation.

To document this historic move, RSVP to Leigh Lyons at (817)-903-9424 or LLyons@GrapevineTexasUSA.com. Pictures and videos are also available upon request.

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