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## Ted & LaJoyce Debro to Be Honored as Recipients of AARP Alabama's 2023 Andrus Award for Community Service

Birmingham, AL – It is with great pleasure that the Alabama African American Heritage Sites Consortium (AAACRHSC) announces that our Board Chairman, Ted Debro, and his wife, LaJoyce Debro, are recipients of AARP Alabama's 2023 Andrus Award for Community Service. This is AARP's most prestigious and visible state volunteer award.

In their retirement, the Debros have dedicated their lives to volunteer work to preserve the legacy of the freedom struggle in Birmingham and across the state of Alabama. Their ability to mobilize and organize other retired volunteers to develop programs and initiatives that foster community involvement and engage the community is nothing short of remarkable.

They were granted this esteemed recognition for their tireless devotion to preserving civil rights heritage sites in Alabama, and for their dedication to improving and enhancing the lives of residents throughout the state through volunteerism. Their service and commitment exemplify the impact of volunteerism in the lives of individuals and the well-being and vitality of a community.

## December 16<sup>th</sup> - Celebration Brunch

The Alabama AARP will honor Ted and LaJoyce at a celebration brunch in Birmingham, AL on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. **Limited seating is available.** RSVP directly to <u>adminvhh@aaacrhsc.org</u> by Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> if you would like to attend.

