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The Capitol Steps Return to Santa Fe Sept. 20 for SFCC Kate Besser Memorial Community Event

Santa Fe, NM – Santa Fe Community College presents the musical political parody of The Capitol Steps, at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 20, at the Lencic Performing Arts Center, 211 W. San Francisco Street in Santa Fe. The evening features the popular Washington D.C.-based ensemble performing songs from its latest album *“Desperate Housemembers.”* Tickets are \$25, or \$15 with SFCC ID (limit one discounted ticket per ID). Tickets are available at (505) 988-1234 or www.ticketssantafe.org.

According to the Capitol Steps, “If you’re tired of hearing about health care, bailouts, the environment, the budget, partisan politics, unfaithful politicians, or the Tea Party, then you’ve come to the wrong place. With musical political satire poking fun at all sides of the issues, it’s the one new thing in Washington sure to earn bipartisan support.”

Among this year’s program songs are *“Hotel Arizona,” “You Can’t Hide This Biden Guy,” “Strangers on This Flight,” “Liberal Shop of Horrors,” “You Don’t Send Me Twitters,” “Don’t Go Fakin’ You’re Smart,” “I’m So Indicted!,” “Help Me Fake It to the Right,” “What Kind of Fuel Am I?,” “Obama Mia,” “Campaign & Suffering,” “Lirty Dies”* ...and more!

Routinely performing to sell-out audiences nationwide, The Capitol Steps can be heard on many public radio stations, including Santa Fe’s own KSFR.

Now in its fourth year, the annual Kate Besser Memorial community event pays tribute to the late Kate Besser, a lifelong learner who frequently engaged in classes, workshops and lectures at the community college. Her husband Bruce Besser is a member of the SFCC Governing Board. Proceeds benefit Santa Fe Community College’s GROW Foundation and Santa Fe Public Radio KSFR 101.1 FM

More about The Capitol Steps:

Thirty years ago, the Capitol Steps was created when some staffers for Senator Charles Percy were planning entertainment for a Christmas party. Ronald Reagan was President, so co-founders Elaina Newport, Bill Strauss and Jim Aidala figured that if entertainers could become politicians, then politicians could become entertainers. The members of the Steps who were Capitol Hill staffers worked for 18 Congressional offices and represent 62 years of collective House and Senate staff experience.

The Steps dig into the headlines of the day to create song parodies and skits that deliver a special brand of satirical humor that is as popular in Peoria as it is on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Since they began, the Capitol Steps have recorded more than 30 albums, including their latest, *Desperate Housemembers*, and their special holiday release, *Barackin' Around the Christmas Tree*. They've been featured on NBC, CBS, ABC, and PBS, and can be heard four times a year on National Public Radio during their *Politics Takes a Holiday* radio specials.

For interviews with Step members, contact Capitol Steps' Press Secretary General Bill Hurd at 703-683-8330. The Capitol Steps press kit can be found at www.capsteps.com/live/bookings.html.

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