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PRESS RELEASE

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## **Mayor Tyler set to ring bell for Salvation Army Tuesday**

Mayor Ollie Tyler said yes to the Red Kettle friendly challenge against Bossier City Mayor Lo Walker.

Both mayors will be ringing the bell for an hour to raise money in celebration of 125 years of The Red Kettle and the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Salvation Army.

Mayor Tyler is asking the citizens of Shreveport to join her in the friendly competition between the two cities. She will be on post from **noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday at Brookshire's Grocery, located at 5828 Line Ave.**

“The City of Shreveport is grateful for the work the Salvation Army does, from educating our youth, to feeding the hungry, providing shelter to the homeless, and supporting our senior citizens,” said Mayor Tyler. “We have an opportunity to support those programs that make this work possible by donating some money in the Red Kettles. I encourage everyone to consider those less fortunate and help others in this season of giving.”

Ed Binnix, Commanding Officer of The Salvation Army of Northwest Louisiana, said the tradition of the bell ringing challenge began last year between the Mayors of Shreveport and Bossier City. “We are excited to have Mayor Tyler and Mayor Walker on board for 2015,” he said.

Mayor Tyler is looking forward to seeing everyone tomorrow at Brookshire's on Line Avenue.

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