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WHO: Cathedral of Saint Paul will light the East Rose Window, over the front doors, for one evening in celebration of the inaugural “*Festival of Lights*.”

WHAT: “*Festival of Lights*” is a fundraising event for the restoration and preservation of the Cathedral as a historic landmark and national treasure. Funds will also be raised to establish permanent exterior lighting of the Cathedral. The Rose Windows were designed by Charles Connick, one of the most highly acclaimed stained-glass craftsmen of the 20th Century.

WHERE: 239 Selby Ave, at the intersection of John Ireland Boulevard & Summit Avenue, Saint Paul, MN, 55102. The 32- foot, east-facing stained glass window is directly above the front doors of the Cathedral.

WHEN: LVX Minnesota, a St. Cloud lighting company, will illuminate the East Rose Window Friday, September 23 at dusk and keep the lights on until 10 p.m.

For more information on how to donate funds to the lighting project or the restoration & preservation of the Cathedral, go to www.cathedralheritagefoundation.org

*Interviews with CHF and LVX available upon request.

The Cathedral Heritage Foundation is raising funds to pay off the remaining \$6 million debt on the \$35 million copper dome restoration undertaken from 2000-2002, in addition to addressing millions of dollars of interior restoration needs. A separate lighting fund has also been established to raise support for more permanent exterior lighting. More information at www.cathedralheritagefoundation.org. Doors are open daily to the public from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. except on Saturday when it’s open until 9 p.m.