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BROOKS, ZOO OFFICIALS ANNOUNCE OPENING OF NEW SENSORY GARDEN EXHIBIT

County Executive Maggie Brooks was joined today by officials from the Seneca Park Zoo to announce the opening of the Sensory Garden, a new exhibit designed to help parents take their children on a journey through the senses.

*“The Seneca Park Zoo has long been more than just a place to view animals,” said **Brooks**. “The Zoo’s ability to provide residents and visitors with a new and improved learning experience every time is truly remarkable. The Zoo also has proven itself as one of the most powerful economic drivers in our community and continues to bolster our economy year after year.”*

Throughout the experience, visitors will be able to learn how animals’ senses match up with their own. Located across from the Z.O.T. Zone, the exhibit features animal-shaped drums where children are encouraged to explore ways to make their own unique sounds. The exhibit also features a variety of floral species which are meant to stimulate olfactory senses and mimic the environment of many birds and insects.

“Here at the Seneca Park Zoo we continuously strive to find unique ways to connect families with nature and each other,” said Rachel Baker August, Executive Director of the Seneca Park Zoo Society. “Our Sensory Garden gives everyone the ability not only to stroll by the beautiful flowers but to be enlightened by the sites, sounds and smells of the natural world around them.”

Created by the Zoo’s Visitor Experience Committee, this exhibit was made possible thanks to funds set aside by the Zoo Society’s Board of Trustees to enhance the visit of families in our community.

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