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WJZD & Rip Daniels Awarded Industry of the Month

Gulfport, Mississippi (April 24, 2024)—

Congratulations to Rip Daniels and WJZD (JZ 94.5 known as The People’s Station) for their well-deserved recognition by the Harrison County Development Commission (HCDC) as the Industry of the Month! With over 40 years of broadcasting history, JZ 94.5 has undoubtedly made a significant impact on the community as the first African American-owned FM station on the Coast. Their dedication to providing insightful commentary along with a mix of R&B, blues, and Hip Hop reflects their commitment to serving their audience with diverse and engaging content.

Daniels’s appointment to the HCDC Board of Commissioners in 2016 and his recent recognition as one of "Our Mississippi" magazine's Most Influential African Americans further underscore his leadership and influence in the community.

HCDC Executive Director Bill Lavers adds, “It’s clear that both Daniels and JZ 94.5 have played integral roles in shaping the cultural and media landscape of Mississippi, and their continued success is a testament to their dedication and vision.”

JZ 94.5 The People’s Station FM is broadcast from its Gulfport, Mississippi studio on Southpark Drive.

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