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Guilford, CT—November 14, 2026—Yesterday, one of American Cruise Lines' Mississippi riverboats, *American Heritage*, was struck by a large tanker while docked at the Port of New Orleans. We are proud of our captain and crew for their professional response, and we are grateful to the first responders in New Orleans who stepped in quickly to assist. All passengers and crew are safe and accounted for.

American Cruise Lines will continue to help our guests and crew, addressing immediate needs, including arranging flights and hotel accommodations, and providing ongoing support for those affected by yesterday's events.

We would like to recognize Captain Leonard Stewart, whose immediate and decisive actions with the crew allowed for the rapid evacuation of the vessel. Captain Stewart remained on the bridge as the vessel capsized, calling for aid and keeping the ship alongside the dock for as long as possible.

American appreciates the support from Mayor Moreno, Governor Landry, and other local officials and we will remain in close contact with their offices. We are also grateful to the U.S. Coast Guard, the Port of New Orleans, and the New Orleans Police, Fire, and EMS Departments for their ongoing help, and we will continue working in partnership with them throughout the entire investigation and salvage efforts.

About American Cruise Lines:

American Cruise Lines is the largest river cruise line in the U.S.A. with nearly 30 small ships sailing the Mississippi River, the Columbia and Snake Rivers, the Hudson River, the Great Lakes, and protected coastal waterways around the country. The company has a 50-year history of offering domestic small ship cruises that explore solely in the United States. Today, the company operates the only fleet of 100% U.S.-flagged riverboats and small ships in the world. Cruising year round, American offers many U.S. cruise itineraries that are totally exclusive to the Line, including bucket-list National Parks Cruises and Extended Cruises over 50 days in length.

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