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**RIVER ROCK CASINO RESORT
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THE TEMPTATIONS

LIVE AT THE RIVER ROCK SHOW THEATRE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

Richmond, BC – For more than forty years, the Temptations have prospered propelling popular music with a series of smash hits and sold out performances throughout the world. The history of the Temptations is the history of contemporary pop. An essential component of the original Motown machine – that amazing engine invented by Berry Gordy – the Temptations began their musical life in Detroit in the early 60’s. The original line-up was Otis Williams, Melvin Franklin, Paul Williams, Eddie Kendricks and David Ruffin.

It wasn’t until 1964 that the Smokey Robinson written-and-produced “The Way You Do the Things You Do” turned the guys into stars. An avalanche of hits followed including “My Girl,” “Get Ready,” “Beauty Is Only Skin Deep,” “I Wish It Would Rain,” “Cloud Nine” and “I Can’t Get Next to You.” Their hits continued throughout the 70’s ... many featuring Dennis Edwards who had replaced Ruffin ... and included “Psychedelic Shack,” “Just My Imagination (Running Away with Me)” and “Papa Was a Rolling Stone.” Other stellar singers – Richard Street and Ali Ollie-Woodson – joined adding their luster to the group’s fame. No matter the change in personnel, the group always remained true to the Temptations tradition. During the 80’s, they prevailed with smashes such as “Treat Her Like a Lady.”

Then in the 90’s, there was yet another Temptations explosion with several acclaimed albums and a two-part miniseries that aired on NBC in 1998 which chronicled the group’s history. It was in 1999 when they were inducted into the Vocal Group Hall of Fame. The Temptations are still going strong today ... in 2007, they were nominated for a Grammy for “Best Traditional R&B Vocal Performance” for their version of Marvin Gaye’s “How Sweet It Is (To Be Loved by You)” from their 2006 album, *Reflections* and as well, they released their most recent album, *Back to Front*. The current line-up consists of Otis Williams along with Terry Weeks, Ron Tyson, Joe Herndon and Bruce Williamson. The Temptations will be performing at the River Rock Casino Resort for one night only in October.

TICKETS ON SALE THURSDAY, APRIL 9 @ 10:00 AM

DOORS: 7:00 PM SHOW: 8:00 PM

Tickets: Reg. \$54.50 & Golden Circle \$64.50 (+ Service Charge & Facility Fee)

Tickets available at all Ticketmaster Outlets or charge-by-phone (604) 280-4444 or order on-line at www.ticketmaster.ca

Ages 19 years and over

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