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For Immediate Release:

URINETOWN Coming to Redmond

March 5-7 and 12-14 at 7:00pm in the RHS Performing Arts Center

Redmond High School Theatre Arts presents the Tony-award-winning musical! Despite its awful title, *Urinetown* has won the hearts of audiences everywhere with its catchy tunes, snappy dance, satiric comedy and a serious question to ponder as you leave the theater.

How can a musical about water rights be such a hit? The show satirizes the political tactics of both left and right, and lovingly parodies musical conventions from *West Side Story* to *Les Miserables*. It tells the story of a small town where a catastrophic drought has left the Urine Good Company complete control over "amenities." Even the poorest must "pay to pee," or risk being hauled off to Urinetown for punishment. A love story and a revolution ensue.

Directed by Misty Doty, RHS Drama and Technical Theatre teacher, dozens of students have been working since November to bring this show to life, with a set design by Art teacher Steve Okun, music direction by Music teacher Andy Robertson, vocal direction by RJH Choir teacher Chris Stagg, and choreography by RHS senior Samantha Whidby.

Featured actors include RHS seniors Josh Oratz as the villainous Caldwell B. Cladwell, Darren Caulley as his henchman Officer Lockstock, and junior Carly Gilliland as starry-eyed Hope Cladwell. International Community School senior Audrey Geiger plays Pennywise, a woman with a past, and ICS junior John Harrison takes the romantic lead as Bobby Strong.

Shake off those winter doldrums with a hilarious, thought-provoking evening of theatre. Get some friends together, get tickets, and make a night of it!

Tickets: \$7 students/seniors, \$10 adults
Online at www.redmondrama.org or at the door

The RHS Performing Arts Center is located at 17272 NE 104th Street in Redmond.