OVER 180 CITIES PARTICIPATING IN “CONCERT ACROSS AMERICA TO END GUN VIOLENCE”

Nationwide event September 21 - 24, 2017

(Boston, MA. – September 18th, 2017) This week, a coalition of gun violence prevention artists, activists and organizations will reprise last year’s Concert Across America to End Gun Violence. Events range from selfie soloists to over 50 live concerts, digitally connected by #ConcertAcrossAmerica and ConcertAcrossAmerica.org.

This year, Americans are singing along from home with the World Record Challenge, from September 21-24. Participants record a video of themselves singing “Nothing More” by the Alternate Routes and post it on social media using #ConcertAcrossAmerica. Sample videos have been provided by activists and artists across the country including by Vy Higginsen’s Sing Harlem Choir, video link. There is still time to be part of it!

“This year, we added the World Record Challenge to the Concert to provide a way for individuals inside and outside of major cities to unify their efforts,” said Concert Chair John Rosenthal. “Gun violence is an issue that affects all communities, and everyone should have an opportunity to work towards a solution. By sharing a message of love and kindness to end gun violence, we can remember and honor lost loved ones.”

Concerts and world record participants are raising their voices in bars, parks, colleges, places of worship, restaurants, ballparks, farmer’s markets, homes, theaters, and popular music venues, even Hill Country Barbecue in Manhattan. From Foster City to Kansas City to Studio City, to Cedar Rapids, Iowa to Berwyn, Illinois musicians will be performing variations of “Nothing More” including rap, spoken word, jazz, OperaCréole and gospel versions. Groups from the Grandmothers Against Gun Violence to the Boston Children’s Chorus are working in harmony to #EndGunViolence.

A full list of participating cities, karaoke tracks for the world record song, and more can be found online at concertacrossamerica.org.

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About The Concert Across America

The Concert Across America will take place from Sept. 21st, International Peace Day to Sept. 24th, leading into the Congressionally designated day of remembrance for murder victims. This nationwide musical experience, spearheaded by Stop Handgun Violence in Boston, brings together a network of organizations, activists and artists to take a united stand against gun violence. For more information visit http://concertacrossamerica.org.