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MUSIC WITH A MISSION – STRIKING A CHORD SINCE 2010

WHAT: Music With A Mission (MWAM)

WHEN: Thursday – July 19, 2018 - 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

WHERE: The Midnight Mission, 601 S. San Pedro St., LA, CA. 90014

WHO: **Mudboy**

TJ Sullivan, also known as Thelonius James or *Mudboy*, has performed with stars such as Big Joe Turner, Joe Houston, Delaney Bramlett and Paul Butterfield. He is a 3-time winner of the *Santa Clarita Blues Society Solo/Duo* competition. TJ's recent blues CD's: *The Sunland Chronicles*, *Mud Island Lullaby*, *That's What I'm Talkin' About*, and *They Call me Thelonius James*; have garnered rave reviews and extensive airplay throughout the country. Preston Ritter, of the *Electric Prunes*, hailed TJ as one of the hardest grooving guitarists and great songwriters he knows. "Anytime you listen to his originals you hear them showcase TJ's rich, powerful voice, and a tasty palette of guitar sounds - Gibson acoustics, Dobro Duolin slide sounds, the T-bone of the Gibson 175, the chunky hot sauce of the Telecaster and the bright sting of the King Bee Jazzmaster."! For more information about Mudboy, please visit (www.tjsullivanmusic.com)

Why:

The Midnight hosts Music With a Mission (MWAM) to entertain and inspire those living on Skid Row. Music is a survival tactic for many people in dealing with life's difficulties. MWAM is aimed at bringing our community together through music. MWAM is quite simple. Musicians bring their instruments and play for our homeless and near-homeless guests. It is an intimate setting, so musicians have the opportunity to interact with our guests, answer questions and/or talk about music and its history. We encourage musicians to invite their fan base so they can engage and enjoy music with individuals they would not normally encounter in their daily lives.

We are currently looking for sponsors for this ever-growing community event. If you are interested, please contact Georgia Berkovich at 213-624-4588 or gberkovich@midnightmission.org.

About The Midnight Mission: Founded in 1914, The Midnight Mission offers paths to self-sufficiency to men, women and children who have lost direction. Our emergency services and 12-step recovery, family living, job training, education and workforce development programs offer a compassionate bridge to achieve and maintain healthy, productive lives. We remove obstacles and provide the accountability and structure that people who are experiencing homelessness need to be productive in their communities. Our conviction and commitment to their success define us. For additional information, please visit www.midnightmission.org.