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## THE MIDNIGHT MISSION TO SERVE 2,000 PEOPLE IN SKID ROW ON THANKSGIVING

WHEN: Thursday, November 23, 2023, from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm

WHERE: TMM, 601 S. San Pedro Street, LA, CA 90014 (intersection of 6th Street & San Julian Street)

- WHO: Thanks to special assistance from Councilmember Kevin DeLeon, District 14 and County Supervisor Hilda L. Solis, First District, and with the help of our generous donors and volunteers, The Midnight Mission will be holding our annual Thanksgiving brunch. Volunteers include musician/activist Tom Morello, musician/producer John Feldmann, musicians David Blasucci and David Tokaji, actor Edward Gelhaus, and many more.
- WHAT: We will close down 6<sup>th</sup> Street in front of TMM and serve a traditional holiday meal to nearly 2,000 homeless and near-homeless individuals and families. More than 200 corporate and community volunteers will be at The Midnight on Thanksgiving morning, preparing and serving food for our annual celebration. We will also be distributing hygiene kits to our guests.

Music will be provided by <u>The Dreamboats (thedreamboatsband.com</u>). Modern. Retro. Revival. The Dreamboats create a sound that is equal parts Chuck Berry and The Wonders. This Canadian quartet delivers a high-energy show that has audiences dancing the night (and Thanksgiving Day) away! The Dreamboats are bringing back the sounds from a timeless era for a new generation to discover.

WHY: Of the many services The Midnight provides to our unique community, one of the most important is the sense of family we offer to those who often feel lost and forgotten during the holidays and other days of celebration. We are grateful for our wonderful donors, volunteers, and friends who make it possible for us to continue our life-saving and life-transforming work. Now, more than ever, we must work together to restore hope and dignity to those in need.

**About The Midnight Mission:** Founded in 1914, The Midnight Mission offers paths to self-sufficiency to individuals and families 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 <u>www.midnightmission.org</u>.