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Barbara Morrison joins Reach for Sky Haiti Fundraiser

Description: World renowned Jazz & Blues vocalist signature entertainment for Hands for Africa: Reach for the Sky benefit for Haitian and Sierra Leone amputees.

Tustin, California, March 15, 2010 – Hands for Africa is honored to announce the addition of Jazz and Blues great, Barbara Morrison to the Reach for the Sky event to benefit amputee victims in Haiti and Sierra Leone. Fresh off a 33 US City tour, co-headlining in an all-star tribute to legendary composer Harold Arlen (most recognizable for his genius behind the music for the classic film, *The Wizard of Oz*), Ms. Morrison now celebrates her 30th year in the music industry. She will perform with her band at the Saturday, May 15th 2010 event at 7pm at the private Orange Hills home known as Chelsea Manor Mansion. This home was the 2003 Orange County Philharmonic House of Design and provides a spectacular backdrop for an evening of world class entertainment, food and wine.

Hands for Africa is a NGO, nonprofit borne out of the aftermath of the Blood Diamond industry in Sierra Leone. Hands for Africa believes that self reliance is the cornerstone for the development of innocent victims and communities ravaged by the civil wars in Africa. Hands for Africa is focused on restoring lost hope, building communities and preserving generations through self reliance. Hands for Africa ensures that victims are assessed carefully to develop programs and/or implement existing programs that will foster self-reliance. Examples include combining educational scholarships with frequent monitoring, fostering long term food supplies through community agriculture training, identifying optimum location and capacity of wells to maximize the provision of water for an entire village, maximize provision for artificial limbs and training for amputees to become productive members of society and to maximize provision of micro finance to jump start small businesses.

Founder, Alton Harding states, “Hands for Africa believes in the age-old concept that "It takes a village to raise a community." Accordingly, Hands for Africa has adopted a global approach to restore lost hope to those devastated by the civil war and now, natural disasters”.

To help with our mission in Haiti or our ongoing work in Sierra Leone, please volunteer or donate through our website at www.handsforafrica.org or call Tracy Yassini at (714) 426.2248. For more information about Barbara Morrison, please visit www.barbaramorrison.com.

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Hands For Africa's mandate is to restore lost hope to innocent victims of civil wars in African countries and to develop and implement programs that foster self-reliance by directly engaging the innocent victims and their communities to provide artificial limbs for Amputees, to provide wells for water, to support agriculture development, to provide education for the innocent victims and their children, to provide health education, to provide micro finance for trade and housing through community construction.

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