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Band Together for Our Heroes brings relief efforts to the Triangle

-- Benefit to aid September 11th funds --

RALEIGH, N.C. (October 9, 2001) – **Band Together for Our Heroes**, a benefit concert, will be held at the North Carolina Museum of History on Saturday, November 3, 2001 from 7:30 p.m. until midnight, rain or shine. Organizers of the event will release a full schedule of events, including musical guests, later this week. Organized by Triangle-area young professionals and sponsored by the NCMH Associates, 100% of the net proceeds from the event will be evenly divided among **The New York Police and Fire Widows' & Children's Benefit Fund** and **The Washington, D.C. Survivors Fund** aiding efforts surrounding the September 11th terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

“What began as two local business owners who pledged to make a difference with the relief effort surrounding September 11th has turned into an extensive, committed and aggressive group of over 45 business and civic professionals in the Triangle who have come together to raise as much money as possible to aid this tremendous worldwide effort,” said Phil Gruber, president of RPG Benefits Solutions and one of the organizers of **Band Together for Our Heroes**.

The event will include food, drink, patriotic reflection and much more. Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door the night of the event. Call (919) 733-3076 for ticket information. You must be 21 or older to attend. Tickets held at will-call may be picked up at the Museum the day of the event. They may also be purchased from the organizing committee.

“On behalf of the North Carolina Museum of History Associates, I am pleased to be able to support this benefit. The events of September 11, 2001 impacted all of us. It seems appropriate that the Museum of History be the site for this event,” stated Dorothea Bitler, Executive Director of the North Carolina Museum of History Associates.

To learn more about the charities, please visit **New York Police & Fire Widows' and Children's Benefit Fund** at www.nypfwc.org and **The Washington, D.C. Survivor's Fund** at www.helping.org/wtc/survivorsfund.adp

About the North Carolina Museum of History Associates

The North Carolina Museum of History Associates is a statewide support group for the North Carolina Museum of History. Membership dues are used for exhibits, artifact purchases, and educational programs in every county of the state. For more information about the Young Associates or upcoming activities, please call (919) 733-3076 or email egoddard@ncmuseumassoc.com.

About the Band Together for Our Heroes Committee

The Band Together for Our Heroes organizing committee includes Danny Rosin, Phil Gruber, Tom Lyon, Bill Fiveash, Skip Mangum, Cassandra Allen, Mary Margaret Beam, Randall Blanco, Susan Bridgers, Suzanne Cantando, John Cella, Ansley Chapman Cella, Joshua Chodniewicz, Kathy Crowley, Jane Doggett, Robert Fiveash, Kim Hayez, Bess Husser, Dupre Jones, Robert Jones, Heather MacColl, Eric Martin, Merrill Mason, Robert Millican, Heather Moldenhauer, Christy Mozingo, Angie Owens, Debra Perry, Leigh Pratt, Eric Prior, Brooke Ransom, Miranda Sapp, Mary Carter Scott, Shellie Sierra, Craig Stone, Lisa Stone, Chuck Underwood, Rachel Vogelpohl, Mike Waldrop, Kristen Wall, Don Whittier and Tommy Worth.

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