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MOE./RAILROAD EARTH AND BLUES & BBQ FEST HEADLINER KENNY WAYNE SHEPHERD BAND TO PERFORM AT NEW BOLD POINT PARK VENUE IN EAST PROVIDENCE

Tickets for the two events go on sale this Friday, May 12th at 10:00 a.m.

EAST PROVIDENCE, RI, May 9, 2017 – Waterfront Productions LLC, based in Newport, Rhode Island, and music promoter, Live Nation, announce that progressive rockers moe. and jam band Railroad Earth will appear in concert on Thursday, August 24th with gates opening at 5:00 p.m. and popular blues group, the Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band, will headline the Blues & BBQ Festival on Saturday, August, 26th from 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. at the new seasonal outdoor venue located at Bold Point Park on the East Providence waterfront. Tickets for the moe./Railroad Earth show start at \$32 and are general admission only with no reserved seating while tickets for the Blues & BBQ Festival featuring Shepherd start at \$21.75 for general admission and \$29.75 for reserved seating. Tickets for both events go on sale starting this Friday, May 12th at 10:00 a.m. and can be purchased online at www.ticketmaster.com or www.rewaterfrontevents.com, by calling Ticketmaster at 800-745-3000 or by visiting Jordan Liquors at 199 Taunton Avenue in East Providence during regular store hours or at www.JordansLiquors.com. On the day of the events, tickets will also be available at the Waterfront Productions box office at Bold Point Park.

“We are programming a well-rounded entertainment lineup to expose a variety of audiences to our new open air venue this summer and fall. With last week’s announcements of The Beach Boys, the Waterfront Reggae Festival and Oktoberfest, and the rock and blues jams of moe., Railroad Earth and the Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band, there’s a cool mix of events coming to Bold Point Park,” said Michele Maker Palmieri, Founder and President of Waterfront Productions the parent company of Rhode Island Waterfront Events and Newport Waterfront Events. “We have had success featuring Moe. and the Kenny Wayne Shepherd at past concerts and festivals so we know firsthand that they are amazing performers with very loyal followings.” Palmieri noted that there are plans to add additional concerts to the line-up with details to be announced throughout the spring and summer.

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Described by Rolling Stone magazine as a “legendary jam band”, **moe.** is one of the leading progressive rock groups on the music scene today. The band has continued to keep a refreshingly unpretentious attitude which has won them a devoted legion of dedicated fans affectionately dubbed moe.rons. Along the way, moe. appeared at Woodstock '99, opened for the Allman Brothers, The Who and Government Mule and played the Bonnaroo Music Festival multiple times. The band’s 25th and latest album is entitled, *No Guts, No Glory*. **Railroad Earth**, the progressive bluegrass jam band from Stillwater, New Jersey, has been receiving critical acclaim since it formed more than 15 years ago. The group’s musical journey includes performing at the Austin City Limits Music Festival, selling out Denver Colorado’s Red Rocks in 2014 and backing Warren Hayes for a taping of the PBS series “Front and Center” in 2015. The band’s seventh and most recent release is entitled, *Last of the Outlaws*.

In addition to beer, bourbon and barbeque, the Blues & BBQ Festival will feature the blues-infused rock n’ roll of the **Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band** (the rest of the performers will be announced soon). More than twenty years into his career, Shepherd continues to be a riveting live performer and one of the most talented and distinctive guitarists of his generation. He has sold millions of records worldwide with seven #1 blues albums and a string of #1 mainstream rock singles to his name. Shepherd has also received five Grammy nominations and two Billboard Music Awards, as well as a pair of Orville H. Gibson awards, the Blues Foundation’s Keeping The Blues Alive award and two Blues Music awards. In 2016, Shepherd teamed up with his friend, Stephen Stills, to record their second record together with their band The Rides. The record, *Pierced Arrow*, debuted at #1 on the Billboard Blues Charts. There will also be a lot to explore and enjoy besides the music at the Festival, including BBQ Alley which will feature an array of food and beverages from cold beer and festive cocktails to finger licking favorites from Rhodies Food Truck, GottaQ, Frozen Hoagies and more.

As the schedule stands currently, other announced events at Bold Point Park are: **The Beach Boys on Wednesday, August 9th** with gates opening at 5:00 p.m.; **The 8th Annual Waterfront Reggae Festival, headlined by Freddie McGregor, Anthony B, Kabaka Pyramid, Junior Kelly, Taj Weekes & Andowa and Natural Element, on Saturday, August 12th** from noon – 10:00 p.m.; and **Oktoberfest on Columbus Day Weekend, Saturday, October 7th** from noon – 8:00 p.m.

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Waterfront Productions secured final approvals in February on a three-year lease of land at Bold Point Park in East Providence for a seasonal, open-air, waterfront entertainment venue with a capacity for 3,500 people for concerts and 5,000 for general admission festivals. Additional approvals and permits were secured from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, the National Park Service and the Rhode Island Coastal Resources Management Council. Consistent with agreements with the City, the public waterfront access will remain open during all events. The venue will feature annual concerts, music festivals and other events by national, international and local artists along with food and beverage options including full bars, lounge areas and local food trucks. Event-goers will also enjoy beautiful views of upper Narragansett Bay, the Providence and Seekonk Rivers and the Providence skyline. Bold Point Park is located off Veteran's Memorial Parkway on Waterfront Drive next to Tockwotton on the Waterfront (500 Waterfront Drive). It is directly across the river from India Point Park in Providence.

Waterfront Productions LLC, headquartered in Newport, Rhode Island, specializes in event management/production and venue operation and is the parent company of Newport Waterfront Events and Rhode Island Waterfront Events. The events Waterfront Productions owns and manages include the Great Chowder Cook-Off at Fort Adams in Newport, Rhode Island; the Waterfront Reggae Festival held most recently at India Point Park in Providence, Rhode Island; and the Providence Event Series which included a number of concerts and the International Oktoberfest at the ALEX & ANI City Center held in the heart of downtown Providence's Kennedy Plaza. The Waterfront Productions team also owned and managed the Newport Concert Series at the Newport Yachting Center for years and co-produced a variety of other events, including the Newport Comedy Series, the WBRU Concert Series at Providence Piers, the Food Truck Festival, the Newport International Boat Show and the Newport Charter Yacht Show, and offers event management consulting services.

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