



MUSICARES®

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To Whom It May Concern:

MusiCares' mission is to focus the resources and attention of the music industry on health and human service issues that directly impact the health and welfare of the music community. We acknowledge and realize that several studies have found that tobacco smoke is a major contributor to indoor air pollution and breathing secondhand smoke is a cause of disease in healthy nonsmokers.

Secondhand smoke exposure can often occur in the workplace, particularly for musicians and music people who perform in clubs, bars and venues where smoking is permitted. MusiCares supports all organizations, musicians, and advocates in their efforts to achieve full protection from secondhand smoke in bars and venues. MusiCares supports all efforts that will further protect musicians and preserve the music culture in the state of Louisiana.

Regards,

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