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Dear Ms Sandy Thurman

This is a letter requesting your consideration to participate in the first "Dale Anthony World AIDS Day Concert of Hope 2000." It will take place on December 1, 1999. This concert is particularly significant because it will reach a worldwide audience to share what is being done to get the message out regarding HIV/AIDS Prevention and provide an update on medical breakthroughs. Your presence is needed for a interview sharing

hope .As a person living with AIDS, and who contemplated suicide at one point in my life, I understand the importance of reaching the masses. This epidemic is worldwide, however, there are people both in the U. S. and abroad who just don't get it! This show will hopefully be a wakeup call for those who take this disease lightly -and a beckon of hope for those who feel there is no one who cares. We want to let them know we do care and are listening. The shows segments will include performers; testimonials from people living with AIDS; a medical authority for an update medical breadthourgs; a performance by peer educators who play a significant role in reaching young people of all ethnic backgrounds. The show will be upbeat and dramatic! It will also have an awards segment to recognize individuals/organizations that have made contributions in making a difference.

I am sure HIV/AIDS is an issue that you support. Having you as part of this venture would allow us the opportunity to share with the world not only your talent as a superstar, but your vision of hope in eradicating this deadly disease worldwide!

Long Island has the highest cases of HIV/AIDS than any suburb in the United States .In an effort to address this epidemic in Long Island we have been struggling to open the "Dale House" a HIV/AIDS community resource center for children and families infected and affected . In addition, for the past eight years, I telecast a weekly show "Tough Talk," that focuses on HIV/AIDS related issues and support systems that can improve the quality of life for those infected and affected by this deadly disease.

I am delighted that I have been offered two venues to telecast the concert from; Westbury Music Fair, located on Long Island, NY; and City Center, located in New York City. Pro Image Studios, on Long Island has collaborated with me to produce the concert and distribution.

The concert will be aired on Pay -Per View. Proceeds will enable "Dale House" to flourish and provide funds to continue airing the weekly television show "Tough Talk," that I host that focuses on HIV/AIDS related issues and support systems that can improve the quality of life for those infected and affected by this dreadful disease.

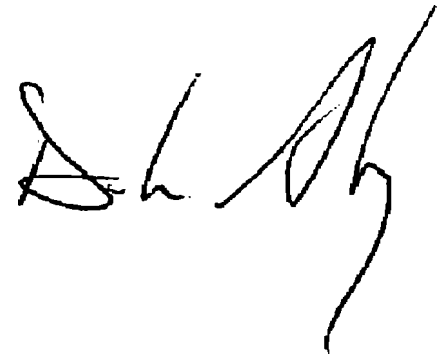
Because time is of the essence I would need to hear from you as soon as possible. Before we can proceed I need to lock in the performers for the show.

Your participation is crucial to the success of this project. If we are to reach our target audience, it takes not only an artist of high recognition like yourself, but one that the world knows is a genuinely caring human being. I hope you will consider being our headline for the show.

As I stated before we cannot get started without knowing you are committed to this endeavour.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this letter and I look forward to your response.

With highest regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Gribble". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "D" and a long, trailing flourish at the end.

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