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## THREE TIME GRAMMY AWARD WINNER AND LEAD SINGER OF TRAIN, PAT MONAHAN NAMED NATIONAL SPOKESPERSON OF THE T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION'S 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

**New York**, **New York** – (**September 3, 2015**) – The T.J. Martell Foundation for Leukemia, Cancer and AIDS Research has announced Grammy Award winning singer-songwriter Pat Monahan as the National Spokesperson of the Foundation's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Monahan is best known as the lead vocalist for the band Train.

From 1994 to 2006, Monahan released four studio albums with Train, In 2002, the band earned Grammy Awards, one of them for the song "*Drops of Jupiter(Tell Me)*," which was written by Monahan and inspired by his late mother who had died of cancer. Monahan's close relationship with his mother and experiences with treatments provided by the T.J. Martell Foundation's aggressive research and patient



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therapy programs allows him a very personal perspective and opportunity serving as the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary representative.

As the face of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The T.J. Martell Foundation, Monahan will appear at the foundation's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Honors Gala in New York to be held October 15<sup>th</sup>, appear in select media programs on behalf of the foundation and lend his face and voice to help raise funds for continued research in the hope to find a

"I've seen firsthand the good that the T.J. Martell Foundation can do, and I want to stand beside them as they celebrate four decades of life-saving research," said Monahan. "The work they're doing is invaluable to anyone that suffers from these devastating diseases as well as their families. I hope to spread more awareness to the importance of their fight."

"We are delighted that Pat Monahan will join us this year as the National Spokesperson of our important 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary," said Tony Martell, Founder & Chairman of the T.J. Martell Foundation. "Pat brings a very personal story about his mother's fight with cancer to our organization and because of that has a deep understanding of the research we have funded. His artistry as a gifted musician and personal perspective on our organization makes him the perfect choice to help us launch the next 40 years of medical innovation for these horrible diseases."

Monahan's career also includes collaborations with Richie Sambora, Martina McBride, INXS, Cyndi Lauper and many others. He performed with The Hollies at their Rock and Roll Hall of Fame induction ceremony and contributed a cover of Buddy Holly's "Maybe Baby" for their tribute album "Listen to Me: Buddy Holly (2011). He also appeared on the hit show The Voice and in 2013 started a podcast called Patcast where he interviews different people in the music industry and talks about his work with Train.

## ABOUT THE T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION:

The T.J. Martell Foundation is the music industry's largest foundation that funds innovative medical research focused on finding cures for leukemia, cancer and AIDS. The Foundation, headquartered in New York, is a national 501(c)3 non-profit organization that was founded in 1975 by music industry executive Tony Martell and his colleagues in loving memory of his son T.J., who died of leukemia. The Foundation has provided more than \$270 million dollars for research that supports top hospitals in the United States. For more information click on the T.J. Martell Foundation go to <a href="www.tjmartell.org">www.tjmartell.org</a>. Visit <a href="www.facebook.com/tjmartellfoundation">www.tjmartellfoundation</a>, <a href="www.tjmartellfoundation">www.tjmartellfoundation</a>, <a href="www.tjmartellfoundation">www.tjmartellfoundation</a>,

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