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SUMMIT CELEBRATES 29 YEARS OF BREWING WITH A BACKYARD BASH

Summit Partners With Minnesota Music Coalition For Fundraising Concert Headlined by The Suburbs.

ST. PAUL, Minn. – (July 29, 2015) – Summit Brewing Company is celebrating its 29th year as Minnesota's craft beer pioneer with the return of their Backyard Bash on Saturday, September 12 from Noon to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance/\$20 day of (fees included) and go on sale July 29 at 10 a.m. Half of the proceeds from ticket sales will go to the Minnesota Music Coalition (MMC), a nonprofit service organization marking its fifth year of supporting Minnesota's independent music community. The Bash takes place outdoors, in the backyard of the brewery at 910 Montreal Circle in St. Paul. It is a 21+ event, but children 12 and under are allowed with adult supervision.

The Backyard Bash will be headlined by Twin Cities' music legends, <u>The Suburbs</u>. The Bash will also include performances by <u>Toki Wright and Big Cats featuring Lydia Liza</u>, <u>Al Church</u>, <u>Hotpants DJs</u> and more. In the three years Summit has been producing the Bash, over \$40,000 has been raised for the MMC and the event has featured many established and up-and-coming Minnesota musicians.

"We're very excited for the return of the Backyard Bash," said Mark Stutrud, president and founder of Summit Brewing Company. "What better way to celebrate 29 years of making craft beer in Minnesota than to have the classic Minnesota band The Suburbs headline our party? This event is our way of thanking all of the Summit fans and to raise awareness for the Minnesota Music Coalition. Come raise a pint with us!"

Local restaurants and food trucks will be onsite and, of course, plenty of Summit beer varieties will be on tap, including specialty cask beer tappings throughout the day. Summit is also partnering with Minneapolis-based Eureka Recycling to work towards a zero waste event and 89.3 The Current returns as the media sponsor. New this year is a partnership with Metro Transit to provide free bus rides to the party. The new #83 bus line comes directly to the brewery and the #54 drops off on W 7th Street. Both routes connect to the green line.

For more information about the Backyard Bash, including directions, purchasing tickets and FAQs, please visit: http://www.summitbrewing.com/backyard-bash

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Founded in St. Paul, Minn. in 1986, Summit Brewing Company has stayed close to its roots, serving the Upper Midwest and Great Lakes region. Summit's beers are currently available in 15 states including Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Arkansas and Wisconsin. Summit now produces 15 varieties of premium craft beer, including seven year-round, five seasonal beers, and the limited release Unchained Series and Union Series. Since its inception, the brewery has been a consistent pioneer in the craft beer movement. For everything Summit Brewing, visit summitbrewing.com.

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