

NHS Lewisham and Greenwich Choir Joins Scottish Singer/Songwriter on New Charity Single"The Forgotten Ones", Dedicated to Key Workers

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LONDON, Friday, May 8 — Scottish singer-songwriter <u>Dan Healy</u> today released a charity single dedicated to key workers, with proceeds going to NHS Charities Together's COVID-19 Urgent Appeal. Featuring the <u>Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust Choir</u>, the ballad and accompanying music video take the perspective of the citizens obeying the government's stay-at-home mandate, while expressing appreciation for NHS healthcare professionals and key workers. The music video features footage of regular citizens and healthcare workers on the frontlines, including messages of celebration and thanks.

"When we heard 'The Forgotten Ones', it encapsulated exactly the gratitude we are feeling towards NHS staff and volunteers. Nothing about the choices staff and volunteers have made in their lives has changed--it's just that their courage and willingness to risk themselves to keep us safe has suddenly been thrown into stark relief. You can say thank you by downloading this track as it will generate proceeds that NHS charities will use to support staff and volunteers dealing with COVID head on," said Ellie Orton, CEO of NHS Charities Together.

The track features the NHS Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust Choir, which is comprised of NHS healthcare professionals. In addition to releasing multiple singles and full-length studio albums, the Choir has performed on iTV as well as major events and venues including Glastonbury Festival, The FA Cup Final, Royal Albert Hall and more.

Dan Healy is a Scottish singer-songwriter, actor and rhythm guitarist. A regular writing partner of Ronan Keating and session player for many other artists, he is also a songwriter for Concord Publishing, where he works with artists from London, Nashville and Los Angeles. As an actor, Dan has performed at London's West End, Toronto and Los Angeles. Most recently, Dan appeared as the lead in "Once The Musical" during the show's widely celebrated first UK tour.

Performed and recorded remotely, Dan and the NHS Choir are joined by international session musicians who have performed countless shows and studio recordings with the likes of Van Morrison, Mick Jagger, Sinead O'Connor, Robbie Williams, Ronan Keating, Kylie Minogue, Boyzone, Tom Jones and more. Also appearing on the track are internationally acclaimed Irish rock violinist group Sephira, sisters Joyce and Ruth O'Leary, who have performed with global sensations including but not limited to Andrea Bocelli, Kanye West, and Enya.

"The Forgotten Ones" track and music video are now available for download on the iTunes Store, Amazon Music and Google Play. Proceeds from the downloads of the track and donations (available on our <u>donation page</u>) will go to NHS Charities Together to support NHS workers and their families during these trying times.

For more information, please visit https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/theforgottenones.

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