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Earth, Wind & Fire Day

On Saturday, October 7, 2017, the legendary band Earth, Wind & Fire will headline Jazz at Drew, a concert at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, to raise funds for student initiatives and entertain local audiences.

One of the most musically accomplished, critically acclaimed, and commercially successful performing groups of all time, Earth, Wind & Fire has been inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, has received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, and has won a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award, among many other honors.

Founded by the late Maurice White in 1969, Earth, Wind & Fire fused funk, jazz, soul, gospel, pop, disco, rhythm and blues, rock and roll, and other musical genres. The band has sold more than 100 million albums worldwide with hits like *Let's Groove*, *Shining Star*, *Boogie Wonderland*, *September*, *That's the Way of the World*, *Reasons*, *Sing A Song*, and *After the Love Has Gone*, all of which fit in with Jazz at Drew's theme of "Great Music for a Greater Cause."

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Earth, Wind & Fire deserves to be honored for its profound and lasting impact on popular culture and also for its commitment to the community, as evidenced by headlining the Jazz at Drew concert to benefit students – future doctors, nurses, researchers and other medical practitioners – at the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Proclaim October 7, 2017 as Earth, Wind & Fire Day throughout Los Angeles County in celebration of their performing great music for a greater cause at this year's Jazz at Drew concert on the campus of the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science.

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