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<u>Famous Tenor Anthony Kearns Receives Honorary Granite State Flag at MooreMart Benefit in Derry</u>

Manchester, NH – World renowned tenor Anthony Kearns was presented with a Granite State flag by MooreMart's Brian Moore, Sergeant First Class, for singing at a benefit for MooreMart on Thurs., March 24 in Derry. The flag had previously been flown by the state National Guard in Afghanistan.

Mr. Kearns is one of the world's leading tenors. He performed for a crowd gathered to support the charity at a reception at "Promises to Keep" in Derry, NH. MooreMart is a Nashua-based nonprofit group founded by the Moore family that sends supplies and care packages to American troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. Brian Moore, a founder of MooreMart who presented the flag to Kearns, stated: "It was an honor to have Anthony Kearns deliver such an inspiring performance for our community."

Paul Moore, a cofounder of the organization, said: "Anthony Kearns has proven that he is passionate about helping American troops in any way he can. It was a true privilege to have him perform for us -- it was a concert we will never forget."

Kearns, a founding member of the popular group, The Irish Tenors, said he was "deeply touched" by the gift of the New Hampshire flag. "This flag represents the sacrifices made by American service men and women in the cause of freedom around the globe. MooreMart is a patriotic charity dedicated to helping the troops overseas. To receive this flag from MooreMart was truly humbling," said Kearns.

Former New Hampshire Senate Majority Leader Bob Clegg, who lead the effort to organize the event, stated: "Anthony Kearns has developed a true passion for the American troops through his recent work, not only on behalf of MooreMart but for the USO and other military support organizations. He was the obvious choice to perform at this great event to support our troops. I am very pleased that he was able to join us – and I look forward to having him back soon."

Kearns, who maintains a robust solo career when not touring with The Irish Tenors, was recently on the "Huckabee" show on the Fox News Network. The MooreMart event was announced by Gov. Huckabee on the show and it was featured in the March 24 edition of the (New Hampshire) Manchester Union Leader. The links are posted below.

http://www.derryinklink.com/2011/03/irish-singer-steps-up-to-help-troops.html http://video.foxnews.com/v/4584630/anthony-kearns-ave-maria/

Members of the media who wish to book interviews with Brian Moore or Bob Clegg may contact Alicia Preston at the phone number or email listed above, or Kirsten Fedewa (publicist for Tenor Anthony Kearns) at 202-365-6936.

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