



July 13, 2022

To: Ms. Ashley Maher - Manager

Town Select Board of Arlington

Robbins Memorial Town Hall

730 Massachusetts Avenue

Arlington, MA. 02476

Subject: The Summer Soul Celebration August 4th, 2022, Regent Theatre

Dear Ms. Maher,

The proposed Summer Soul Celebration scheduled for August 4th, 2022, at the Regent Theatre is about bringing people together and giving back to the community through great music, great food and people working together from all walks of life.

The Regent Theatre is a special place with its long history and legendary performances. We have gathered a group of musicians such as Tony Wilson, James Brown Jr and Nate Stringfield who have performed at the Regent and have fond memories of their shows there. My band and my family have also had the pleasure of both performing at the Regent and going to events there through the years. With Covid restrictions lifting and people getting back out after challenging times we thought of what would be an appropriate musical event that brings love and happiness to people. What is a way that we can give back? The answers came as we talked with musicians, restaurants, and food vendors who with their love of the Regent Theatre, the City of Arlington, and the organizations that we wanted to raise money for quickly. The concert will benefit Boston Children's Hospital, Mount Auburn Hospital, Arlington Eats, Vet Tix, the ASPCA and Vidol as the proceeds raised at the event. All of the organizations that are mentioned will have representatives attending the event.

As a further note all of the vendors have agreed to also donate a portion of their proceeds to the charities as well.

The food and beverages will be free for the people that have tickets for the show. We also will be making matching donations to the organizations that we have listed. We would be happy to have people from the Town of Arlington attending. The Regent Theatre has also sent an email blast to their patrons, and we will have a few celebrities attending the event from the music, sports, and entertainment world. There will also be local media from the Boston Globe along with local television and radio personalities.



On a logistical basis we are committed to having a stress free and successful event and we want to work with the Town of Arlington to arrange for a police detail and a traffic detail as needed. We will also have a cleanup crew in place at the event.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to come to your Town Select meeting on July 18th and we are hoping that you will approve our event.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'David M. Thomas III'.

David Thomas