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**TEAM UP WITH FIREWORKS BY GRUCCI FOR 13<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL "CELEBRATE AMERICA" PERFORMANCE**

*Event at Eisenhower Park Kicks Off Independence Day Weekend Festivities*

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**BELLPORT, NY** (June 30, 2016) –

Who: TD Bank and Nassau County

What: Celebrate America Fireworks

When: July 2, 2016

Where: Eisenhower Park, East Meadow, New York

There are few things that America loves more than warm summer nights, concerts by the lake, and fireworks shows. On July 2<sup>nd</sup>, TD Bank and Edward Mangano of Nassau County are teaming up with the world renowned creative team at Fireworks by Grucci to kick off Independence Day Weekend. Beginning with performances by Steam Punk Pirates Band, Killer Joe and the Lido Soul Review, the 13<sup>th</sup> annual "Celebrate America" will cap off with a spectacular finale personally choreographed by Fireworks by Grucci CEO and Creative Director, Phil Grucci.

"We are honored to again collaborate with TD Bank and Nassau County as they produce this special event for the thirteenth year," says Phil Grucci. "We believe that there is nothing more important than remembering and honoring the brave men and women who have fought to keep our nation free. We hope to capture the joyful and reflective spirit of the holiday as we paint the sky over Eisenhower Park!"

The incredible performance will fire from a computer-generated script, offering unmatched precision between the pyrotechnics and setlist. Featuring Grucci Grand Illuminations and tremendous high aerals, onlookers across the park will have front row seats to some of the best shells and effects in the world.

The Grucci Performance App, which when activated allows you to listen to the soundtrack in real time, will be available for all guests with Android or iPhone. Simply go to the App Store or Google Play, download the Fireworks by Grucci app for free, and select your performance location to tune in during the show.

The theatre area gates will open at 5:30 p.m. and the fireworks will begin at nightfall (approx. 9:30 p.m.). Tickets are required for admission to the Theatre area and are available free of charge at any TD Bank on Long Island, while supplies last. There is no formal seating; visitors should bring blankets or chairs. Space is limited and overflow will be directed to other viewing and parking areas.

#### **Fun Facts**

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| Show Design and Choreography: Phil Grucci                       | Show Producer: Christopher Carlino       |
| Number of Pyrotechnicians: 10                                   | Chief Pyrotechnician: Pasquale Buffolino |
| Number of Days to Install: 4                                    | Number of Hours to Choreograph: 30       |
| Featured Fireworks: Grucci Grand Illuminations and High Aerials | Number of Man Hours to Set Up: 480       |

#### **Music**

A collection of songs with patriotic themes by beloved, traditional and contemporary artists including Alicia Keys, Demi Lovato, Ray Charles, John Mellencamp, Miley Cyrus, Jackson Brown, Rachel Platten, David Bowie, Brad Paisley, Neil Diamond, Sara Bareilles, James Brown, Martina McBride and Paul McCartney.

**About Fireworks by Grucci:** Fireworks by Grucci is a sixth-generation, family-owned and operated Fireworks Performance Company with its primary studio and corporate offices in Bellport, New York. Holders of the Guinness World Record for the "Largest Fireworks Display" ever recorded. Known as "America's First Family of Fireworks," the Gruccis have transformed the night skies to the delight of millions across the globe since 1850. They are world-renowned for pyrotechnic artistry, scientific innovation and old-fashioned values. Their signature performances include the recent official celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the National Anthem "Star

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Spangled, "Spectacular," in Baltimore, countless performances in and around Las Vegas, NV., seven consecutive U.S. Presidential Inaugurations; the Olympic Games in Beijing, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles and Lake Placid; commemorations such as the Centennial of the Statue of Liberty and star-studded extravaganzas including the grand opening of the Atlantis Dubai and the Palm Jumeirah Island in the United Arab Emirates. On New Year's Eve 2013, a stunning performance displaying 479,651 fireworks made its debut above Dubai's iconic skyline. The Gruccis achieved their "Largest Fireworks Display" title with this performance and smashed the Guinness Book of World Record's preceding mark. Phil Grucci currently serves as President, CEO and Creative Director of Fireworks by Grucci, Inc. and Pyrotechnique by Grucci, Inc., the manufacturing entity of the Grucci group of companies.

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