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An Evening of *Divertimentos & Dressage* Returns

Spartanburg, SC (August 31, 2021) After resounding support from the first annual *Divertimentos & Dressage* in October 2019, the Spartanburg Philharmonic and Brooke USA Foothills Regional Advisory Council are thrilled to announce that this signature fundraiser is returning to the Motlow Creek Equestrian Center in Campobello, SC, on Thursday, October 21, 2021. The live symphony orchestra will play classical pieces to the choreographed movements of dressage riders and their horses.

"I see riding horses as art, as well as sport. The experience of live orchestral music with musical freestyle dressage is simply captivating, mesmerizing and unlike any other artistic or athletic endeavor." said Sally Frick, equestrian and flutist for the Spartanburg Philharmonic and other area chamber ensembles.

The Dressage musical freestyle will feature FEI Grand Prix and Brooke USA Foundation Ambassador Jessica Jo (JJ) Tate and Jessica Davis, Ashley Perkins, Trayce Doubek, Tazma Toi Trent and Julio Mendoza to orchestral repertoire that includes works by Vivaldi, Janacek, Bach, Copland, Puccini Rossini and more.

Divertimentos & Dressage is an exciting event that supports the life-saving work of Brooke USA, as well as the continuing and expanding programs of the Spartanburg Philharmonic. Brooke USA strives to alleviate the suffering of working horses, donkeys and mules, and the people they serve in vulnerable

communities. The Spartanburg Philharmonic enriches, inspires, and educates the public through live performances of high-quality music.

Starting with registration at 6:00 PM, guests will enjoy a pre-performance reception with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Promptly at 7:00 PM, guests will be treated to a one-hour performance. Individual tickets are \$65. per person. To purchase individual tickets or to learn more about sponsorship opportunities, please visit BrookeUSAevents.org.

ABOUT SPARTANBURG PHILHARMONIC

Almost a century old, Spartanburg Philharmonic is recognized as a pillar of creativity, inspiration, and entertainment. A modern orchestra with a strong foundation in traditional and contemporary music. As a firm proponent of diversity and inclusion, the Philharmonic is dedicated to creating innovative and exhilarating experiences through memorable performances of well-known and rarely played works by female composers, composers of color, and both established and contemporary composers, for all members of the Spartanburg community and beyond. An arts organization whose mission is to enrich, inspire, and educate through live performances of high-quality music, the Spartanburg Philharmonic partners with a variety of community, health, and education organizations to provide opportunities for all ages and abilities to enjoy. www.spartanburgphilharmonic.org

ABOUT BROOKE USA FOUNDATION

The mission of Brooke USA is to significantly improve the health, welfare, and productivity of working horses, donkeys and mules and the people who depend on them for survival worldwide. We are committed to sustainable economic development by reducing poverty, increasing food security, providing access to water, and raising basic standards of living through improved equine health and welfare. Brooke USA does this through a holistic approach to funding which includes capacity building, sustainability programming, female empowerment, and international advocacy. Brooke USA connects private philanthropists with their passion for helping relieve the suffering of working equines and their owners. Winner of the 2021, Chronicle of the Horse Readers' Choice Award, Brooke USA accomplishes this by raising funds and responsibly directing them to the areas of greatest need.