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.38 Special Returns to the Tennessee Valley Fair

Classic rockers bring infectious blend of southern rock to 2011 Fair

Knoxville, Tenn. (September 2, 2011) – The Tennessee Valley Fair is pleased to welcome back classic rockers .38 Special to Homer Hamilton Theatre on Thursday, September 15 at 8 p.m.

After more than three decades together, .38 Special continues to bring their signature blend of southern rock to over 100 cities a year. At each and every show, thousands of audience members enjoy the explosive power of the band's performance. Their many gold and platinum album awards stand in testament to the endurance of this legendary powerhouse.

With album sales in excess of 20 million, most associate the band with their arena-rock pop smashes, "Hold On Loosely," "Rockin' Into the Night," "Caught Up in You," "Fantasy Girl," "If I'd Been the One," "Back Where You Belong," "Chain Lightnin'," "Second Chance," and more – timeless hits that remain radio staples, immediately recognizable from the first opening chord, and paving the way to their present-day shows.

The co-founders of the group, vocalist Donnie Van Zant and guitarist/vocalist Don Barnes, say it's all about maintaining that intensity in their live shows. "We never wanted to be one of those bands that had maybe gotten a little soft or complacent over the years. We're a team, and it's always been kind of an unspoken rule that we don't slack up, we stack up. We go out there every night to win." Barnes explains.

Reserved seats for .38 Special are only \$15.00 and can be purchased by calling (865) 215-1482 or by visiting www.tnvalleyfair.org. The 2011 Tennessee Valley Fair runs from September 9-18.

About the Tennessee Valley Fair

The 92nd annual Tennessee Valley Fair is one of the state's largest multi-day events attracting nearly 140,000 people each year. The Fair begins the Friday after Labor Day, September 9-18, as it invites you to "Let Go" this fall. Known for its innovative exhibits, livestock shows, concert series, action sports, exciting rides and a variety of unique fun foods, the Tennessee Valley Fair offers tremendous family entertainment for a gate adult admission of only \$9, \$7 in advance (kids 5 and younger are free). The Fair is also proud to present nightly fireworks sponsored by the Tennessee Lottery. For more information, please visit www.tnvalleyfair.org or call (865) 215-1470.

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