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<u>THE GARY PRIMICH FAMILY ANNOUNCES RELEASE OF ALBUM</u> <u>SALUTE TO THE LATE BLUES SINGER/HARMONICA MASTER,</u> JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE ... WITH OMAR DYKES, COMING APRIL 17 ON <u>OLD PAL RECORDS</u>

AUSTIN CD RELEASE EVENTS INCLUDE WATERLOO RECORDS IN-STORE, "POCKET FULL OF SOUL" FILM DOC SCREENING AND FREE <u>TRIBUTE SHOW AT CONTINENTAL CLUB</u>

AUSTIN, TX – The family of the late blues singer/harmonica player Gary Primich has announced the April 17 release of a very special CD tribute, *Just a Little Bit More … with Omar Dykes*, on Old Pal Records, with distribution through CD Baby. To celebrate the release of the new CD, a number of special events are planned in Austin, including an in-store performance by many of Gary's musical friends at Waterloo Records on Friday, April 20, at 5PM; a screening of the harmonica film documentary, "Pocket Full of Soul" (which includes Primich), on Saturday, April 21, at 4PM at the Wyndham Garden Hotel (located at !-35 and Woodward); and a FREE live tribute show at the Continental Club on Sunday, April 22, from 2-6PM.

The Waterloo in-store performance will feature Omar Kent Dykes on vocals and guitar, Wes Starr on drums, Randy Glines on bass (who used to be Gary's bassist) and Ted Roddy on harp. The "Pocket Full of Soul" film screening on April 21 will benefit the SIMS Foundation, which provides mental health and addiction recovery services to Austin-area musicians and their families. In addition to Gary Primich, the documentary includes such other stellar harmonica players as James Cotton, Delbert McClinton, Kim Wilson, Jerry Portnoy, Charlie Musselwhite, Rod Piazza and a host of others. To watch the trailer for the film, go to <u>www.pocketfullofsoulmovie.com</u>. For the free tribute show at the Continental Club on April 22, artists scheduled to play include Omar Kent Dykes, Mark Hummel, Sarah Brown, Mike Morgan, Juke Logan, Mike Buck, Wes Starr, Ted Roddy, Mark Rubin, Nick Connolly, Barry "Frosty" Smith, Lee McBee and many others.

Just a Little Bit More ... with Omar Dykes features 24 cuts of prime Gary Primich recordings that range from 1994 to 2006, the year before Primich passed away, and represent such CD titles as *Travelin' Mood*, *Mr*. *Freeze*, *Doghouse Music* and *Ridin' the Darkhorse*, as well as several previously unreleased tracks. Also included are several songs that first appeared on such Omar & the Howlers albums as *Muddy Springs* Road, *Swingland* and *World Wide Open* and highlight Gary Primich's unique talents as a harmonica player.

The musicians on the CD represent a veritable "who's who" of Austin's finest, including Gary Clark, Jr., Derek O'Brien, Sarah Brown, Wes Starr, Mark Korpi, Dave Biller, Jay Moehler, Nick Connolly, George Rains, Mark Rubin and Billy Horton. A number of the players were regular members of Gary Primich's band through the years, either on record or on tour.

As the album's title indicates, the CD showcases the special musical relationship Gary Primich had with Omar Kent Dykes, who sings and plays guitar on many of the tracks. One of the special previously unreleased cuts is "Down in Mississippi," which features just Dykes on vocals and guitar and Primich on harp.

"I was close to Gary. I loved him, too," says Dykes in the album's liner notes. He was always brilliant with me, and so talented! He was one of my favorite players. He always

made it seem like it was so easy. I remember Gary coming down from Indiana and showing up at my gigs in Austin. It was a little club ... they'd clear the tables off this little second-level and we'd set up and go for it. I started seeing Gary out there and after a few gigs I got to talking with him and he said he played harp. I think we got him up and I went 'MAN, you can PLAY harp.' But you know, he was so humble about it. He never had to tell anyone he was good. He was just SO good, you know?"

For more information about Gary Primich, visit <u>www.garyprimich.com</u>.