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BRANDON HEATH SCORES KEY DOVE AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Reigning Male Vocalist Set to Repeat in Multiple Categories Capping Off Milestone Year

(Nashville, Tenn.) Feb.18, 2010 – Nominations for the 41st Annual GMA Dove Awards nominations were announced this morning at Belmont University's Curb Café, with Nashville-based singer/songwriter **Brandon Heath** serving as one of the presenters at today's nominee press conference. In addition to announcing the nominees, Heath scored three of his own nominations, including the prestigious **Male Vocalist of the Year**, an award he won in 2009. Heath nabbed a **Short Form Video of the Year** nod for "Wait And See," the second chart-topping single from his 2008 GRAMMY-nominated, sophomore album, *What If We*, plus recognition for his participation on *Glory Revealed II: The Word of God In Worship*, nominated in the **Special Event Album of the Year** category.

2009 was a huge year for Brandon, nominated for two GRAMMY awards, and his first American Music Award. Heath also garnered three wins at last year's Dove Award ceremony, including Song of the Year for his hit song "Give Me Your Eyes," the blockbuster lead single from *What If We*. Having captured **14 weeks at No.1** on *Billboard's* Hot Christian AC radio chart, plus **27 weeks at No. 1** on iTunes Christian Song Chart, with more than **440,000** total digital downloads, "Give Me Your Eyes" won an Emmy Award, and was used by NASA as the wake-up call for the Endeavour shuttle crew on their first day in orbit.

Heath's new single "Love Never Fails" climbs to No.17 at *Billboard's* AC Monitored radio chart this week.

For tour dates, and more information, please visit www.brandonheath.net, www.providentpress.com, and follow Brandon on Twitter at twitter.com/brandonheath.

About Brandon Heath:

Nashville native **Brandon Heath** was featured on the "CBS Evening News with Katie Couric," while also spotlighted in the Sunday edition of *The New York Times* as a GRAMMY-nominated newcomer "that shouldn't be allowed to slip through the cracks." Heath released his breakthrough, GRAMMY-nominated sophomore album, *What If We*, in Aug. 2008, featuring back-to-back No.1 singles "Give Me Your Eyes" and "Wait and See." The celebrated singer/songwriter recently added 3 GMA Dove Awards nominations and an **Emmy Award** win to his growing list of accolades for "Give Me Your Eyes, which served as the catalyst for the Nashville Rescue Mission's PSA campaign, produced by NewsChannel 5, WTVF (CBS).

What If We follows Brandon's debut album, *Don't Get Comfortable* (2006), and first chart-topping radio song, "I'm Not Who I Was," nominated for Song of the Year at 2008 GMA Dove Awards and contributing to his win in the New Artist of the Year category. Off stage, Heath seeks opportunities to merge his public platform with his heart for community, regularly working with Young Life, Blood:Water Mission, Restore International and unofficially volunteering for many other human rights agencies on a global scale. Heath is a respected songwriter in the Nashville music community and first began writing at age 13.

About the 41st Annual GMA Dove Awards

The **GMA Dove Awards** is Christian/Gospel music's biggest night of the year, where top artists from every style of gospel music come together for a night of music and celebration as the GMA bestows the industry's highest honor -- the Dove Award.

The **41st Annual Dove Awards** will be held on **Wednesday, April 21, 2010** at Nashville's famed **Grand Ole Opry House** and televised nationwide on gmc (<http://www.gmclife.com>), **Sunday, April 25, 2010 from 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. EST.** gmc is the fastest-growing network in television and can be seen in 46 million homes on various cable systems around the country, on DIRECTV on channel 338 and on Verizon FiOS on channel 224.

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