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PJ Walsh 30 Shows in 30 Days Comedy Tour Approaches Half Way Point

New York - October 12, 2011- After 11 days of his marathon comedy tour, nationally acclaimed comedian **PJ Walsh** has traveled nearly 3000 miles, has performed almost a dozen stand-up comedy shows already, has done almost as many radio/tv/newspaper interviews, all while visiting numerous VFW's, American Legions, and VA Medical Centers.

Beginning October 1st **PJ Walsh** partnered with H. G. Fairfield Arts Center for the Environment to conduct a marathon comedy tour: "**30 Shows in 30 Days - Courage Continues at Home**" to benefit local veterans. A Navy veteran and Brewster, NY native, **PJ Walsh** has been getting rave reviews of his comedy performances. Walsh said, "I am proud to be able to return home to help raise awareness of veteran's issues and raise funds for much needed local veterans programs." **PJ Walsh** shifted his national comedy tour to spend the entire month of October helping raise funds for local veterans. Walsh continued, "I am humbled by the amount of support and encouragement I have received from my fellow veterans."

Kim Blacklock, CEO and President of H. G. Fairfield, said; "The most rewarding part of this tour is meeting the veterans and their families; they are the real heroes. It is an honor to be able to join them in their efforts to raise awareness and funds for their fellow veterans. PJ Walsh, like many of the veterans I have met, truly exemplifies the motto "Courage Continues At Home." Even with his national success, **PJ Walsh** comes back home and helps."

Katherine Freston, the 81 year old founder of H. G. Fairfield Arts Center for the Environment, is a Korean War veteran and fellow performer. Freston, who has attended many of **PJ's** performances, has been an actress for a number of years in well established community theatre; Arts on the Lake, Aery Theatre, The Players Club in Manhattan, and Pawling Players. Freston said, "It is amazing to see that H. G. Fairfield, which has been in existence for less than one year, has had such a positive impact on not only veterans but the community as a whole. This is a dream come true, and it is only the beginning."

For a complete listing of all stand-up comedy shows in the Marathon Comedy Tour, you can go to **PJWalsh.com** or **HGFairfieldArts.org**. All shows are open to the public and all proceeds will benefit veterans' organizations in Putnam, Westchester, Dutchess and Orange counties.

PJ Walsh will conclude his marathon comedy tour with his award winning one man theater show, "**Over There: Comedy is his Best Weapon**". This incredible performance which is sponsored by **Pepsi**, has won several awards including: Best of Hollywood Fringe 2011, Best of San Francisco Fringe 2011, and Unanimous Producers' Choice Nominee for Mega Star Award at this year's LA Comedy Awards. "Over There" can be seen at the **Paramount Center for the Arts, in Peekskill, NY, on Saturday, October 29 at 7:30pm. Tickets are available at**

paramountcenter.org or by calling 1-877-840-0457.

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