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Singer/ Songwriter Terry Derosier releases new single "Ten Thousand Ways"

STILLWATER, MN - APRIL 20, 2018: Terry Derosier, an emerging ASCAP singer/songwriter and Red River Valley native, has just released "*Ten Thousand Ways*", a lyrical pop-rock song dedicated to sunshine and his great love for the State of Minnesota. The new song follows on the heels of his release of "*Thunderin' Down the Road*" and "*Restless Dreamer*" within the last 90 days. All of the profits from Derosier's music are given to his charity <u>feedakid.org</u> that helps feed starving children around the world.

Terry Derosier has a fascinating story to share about the song that only someone who has grown up and spent most of his life in Minnesota could capture. At a Christmas party, a good friend Pat Hoy commented that, "There really aren't any good songs about Minnesota, at least not for a long while." Derosier and Hoy joked and sang choruses of "Sweet Home Alabama", "California Dreamin", "Georgia on My Mind" and even recalled the Northern Light song from 1975 called "Minnesota." Derosier said, "30 minutes later I'm driving south on 35E to my studio in St. Paul and the lyrics and song just started streaming out of my mouth." Within 24 hours he had a composer's demo of the song constructed, and then for the next 30 days he refined and crafted the picturesque verses. Derosier said, "I wanted to have the beautiful seasons and meaningful images of Minnesota represented in the song and I wanted it to be from the perspective of two people in love."

The story did not begin there, however. Derosier has written and recorded many new songs in a Folk/Rock style, all since his near death experience in 2014. While at a wilderness construction site in Northern Minnesota, he fell from the cabin loft 10 feet straight down onto the floor, landing on his head. He received a traumatic brain injury, with bleeding on the brain, and two crushed vertebrae. He was very lucky to be alive. Now he is a modern day walking miracle. Derosier's wife, Mary, took over their contracting business in the Twin Cities called Window World.

For years we have heard Derosier's voice singing the popular jingle for Window World on local radio and TV. Since he would no longer be able to continue as the CEO of a major remodeling company, Derosier considered returning to his passion in life - music. He said, "I have a BA in Music from The University of North Dakota and I was a church music director long before I ever became a contractor. So during recovery I went back to get some refresher courses in pop music at McNally Smith. I wanted to see if I could still learn after the brain injury. I sensed I was undergoing a whole new way of thinking and being." At McNally Smith, he met Jeff Harrington, a Nashville/LA songwriter, who took Derosier under his wing and helped him through his recovery with lessons in song writing.

Most experts agree that music has an almost magical healing property and for Derosier it was the perfect medicine. For Derosier, the traumatic brain injury seemed to stimulate the creative hemisphere of his brain while the logic-oriented side was busy healing. After his recovery and armed with a new ways of thinking and feeling, lyrics and melodies would almost instantly appear.

The result has been nothing short of prolific. After recovering, Derosier recorded "*Ten Thousand Ways*" and 10 other songs at Defhaus Studios in St. Paul, Minnesota. Derosier says that, "Recording with notable Minnesota musicians like drummer - **Gordy Knudtson** from <u>The Steve Miller Band</u>, bassist - **Jim Anton** from <u>Johnny Lang</u>, and other Twin Cities veterans including **Jason Craft** on keyboard, guitarist **Mark Knoll**, and **Mary Jane Alm** singing harmonies, made the whole process very enjoyable." **Jake Carlson**, his recording engineer, and **Jeff Harrington**, his writing consultant, co-produced the album with Derosier.

You can read more about Derosier's journey and listen and download his music at <u>www.TerryDerosier.com</u>. All the profits from his music go to his 501(C3) organization Feedakid.org that helps feed starving children around the world. This is Derosier's third single release in the last 90 days. Following his popular single and video "*Thunderin' Down The Road*" and "*Restless Dreamer*."

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Ten Thousand Ways[©]

Lyrics and music: Terry Derosier Chorus: Minnesota sun is shinin' Smilin' on your face, in the Crystal clear waters, on a Northern sky-blue Lake Mississippi lover, you're still Windin' through my mind, cause there's Ten thousand ways, You're the rhythm in my rhyme

Verse 1. Sun is shinin', fish are bitin' Still water, loons are callin' Ten thousand ways, I'm in love with you. Laughing smiles and conversation Loving you a sweet sensation Can't believe how peaceful you make me feel.

Verse 2. Farmer George on his tractor puttin' Fields of green the prairie cuttin' Hay bales and wagons in the field. Autumn colors and stars so bright Shining purple, Northern light Sparklin' in the beau-ty of your eyes

Verse 3. Crystal Castles on the ice Pink Lady Slipper nice Pine trees a swayin', In the breeze. Hiking in the great outdoors, Campin' on the river shore Look at me so lucky to be with you