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Josh Turner Takes It Out of the Studio on His New Live Album Available Exclusively at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store® in August

Josh Turner — Live Across America Album and Singles Will Be Available for Download on iTunes and Amazon.com

LEBANON, Tenn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Country troubadour Josh Turner will be traveling down the road for a second time with the Cracker Barrel Old Country Store exclusive music program when his new live album **Josh Turner—Live Across America**, debuts on August 27, 2012. The CD will be available exclusively at all Cracker Barrel[®] locations and online on <u>crackerbarrel.com</u>, Amazon.com, and on iTunes for \$11.99. The album features live performances of Turner's biggest hits including "Long Black Train," "Why Don't We Just Dance," "Your Man," as well as his never-before-released version of Waylon Jennings' "America." The performances were recorded at 12 different live shows from Lancaster, Pa. to Austin, Texas during Turner's 2012 tour, which continues through December and is sponsored exclusively by Cracker Barrel. Turner previously collaborated with Cracker Barrel for his 2007 release, **Josh Turner—Live at the Ryman**.

"This is my second go-round with Cracker Barrel, who also sponsors my tour. We came up with the idea of taking a mobile studio out on the road and recording our show every night. And that's what **Live Across America** is: the best renditions of songs from all over the country," Turner says. "The fans will be able to hear recordings from their hometowns."

Cracker Barrel Marketing Manager Julie Craig shares, "Josh's music genuinely resonates with many of our guests, and we are thrilled to join forces with him on a second Cracker Barrel album. Because the songs were recorded during actual performances, there's a feeling of being in the audience and getting caught up in the energy and excitement of a live show."

Josh Turner—Live Across America track listing:

- 1) "All Over Me" Live In Biloxi, MS (3:28)
- 2) "Firecracker" Live In Lancaster, PA (3:47)
- 3) "Everything Is Fine" Live In Knoxville, TN (3:52)
- 4) "So Not My Baby" Live In Lake Charles, LA (3:35)
- 5) "Would You Go With Me" Live In Plant City, FL (3:48)
- 6) "Long Black Train" Live In Austin, TX (5:27)
- 7) "I Wouldn't Be A Man" Live In Savannah, GA (3:39)
- 8) "Me And God" Live In Key Largo, FL (3:17)
- 9) "Another Try" Live In Atlanta, GA (3:51)
- 10) "Your Man" Live In Kansas City, MO (3:38)
- 11) "America" Live In Charlottesville, VA (3:33)
- 12) "Why Don't We Just Dance" Live In Atlantic City, NJ (4:00)

In celebration of this release, Cracker Barrel is offering a sweepstakes with entries being accepted now through September 14, 2012 (5:00 p.m. CT). One lucky fan and a guest will win an all-expense paid trip to Nashville, Tenn. to meet Turner and see him perform at the Grand Ole Opry. A winner will be announced on or about September 30, 2012. See Official Rules for details at http://www.crackerbarrel.com/joshturner.

Josh Turner - Live Across America is the latest in Cracker Barrel's exclusive music program. Since 2005, Cracker Barrel has released CDs with a wide variety of artists, some of which have debuted in the top three spots on a range of Billboard magazine's charts including Top DVD Music Videos, Top Country Albums, Top Christian Albums and Top Bluegrass Albums. In addition, An Evening With ... Dolly earned a Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) Gold award, Dailey & Vincent Sing The Statler Brothers won "Album of the Year" from the International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) and a track on that CD was nominated for a Grammy[®] award, and Smokey Robinson's Now & Then was nominated for an NAACP IMAGE AWARD. Cracker Barrel's exclusive music program includes CDs with Alabama, Rodney Atkins, Jason Michael Carroll, The Charlie Daniels Band, Ronnie Dunn, Edens Edge, Sara Evans, Bill Gaither, Montgomery Gentry, Amy Grant, The Grascals, Merle Haggard, Alan Jackson, George Jones, Alison Krauss & Union Station, Craig Morgan, The Oak Ridge Boys, Kenny Rogers, Ricky Skaggs, Aaron Tippin, Randy Travis, Wynonna, and the Zac Brown Band. For details visit crackerbarrel.com/music.

Cracker Barrel Old Country Store provides a friendly home-away-from-home in its old country stores and restaurants. Guests are cared for like family while relaxing and enjoying real home-style food and shopping that's surprisingly unique, genuinely fun and reminiscent of America's country heritage...all at a fair price. The restaurant serves up delicious, home-style country food such as meatloaf and homemade chicken n' dumplins as well as its made from scratch biscuits using an old family recipe. The authentic old country retail store is fun to shop and offers unique gifts and self-indulgences.

Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc. (Nasdaq: CBRL) was established in 1969 in Lebanon, Tenn. and operates 616 company-owned locations in 42 states. Every Cracker Barrel unit is open seven days a week with hours Sunday through Thursday, 6 a.m. — 10 p.m., and Friday and Saturday, 6 a.m. - 11 p.m. For more information, visit <u>crackerbarrel.com</u>.

About Josh Turner

One of country music's most recognizable hit-makers earning numerous CMA, ACM and GRAMMY nominations since the release of his debut album, **Long Black Train**, Josh Turner has sold more than five million albums and garnered four No. 1 hits (including three multi-week chart-toppers): "Your Man," "Would You Go With Me," and "Why Don't We Just Dance" (a four-week No. 1 that was named the most-played song of the year in 2010 by MediaBase). His song, "All Over Me," from **Haywire** also reached the top spot on the charts, making him one of only seven country artists to have two No. 1 hits in 2010. A Hannah, SC native, Turner has been songwriting and performing since he was a young child, and in support of music education, created The Josh Turner Scholarship Fund to assist students interested in pursuing a future in arts/music. As a high school student, he had very little access to music education, therefore realizes first-hand the importance of arts in the schools. Celebrating the release of one of his fastest-rising singles to-date, "Time Is Love," Turner recently celebrated the release of his fifth studio album, **Punching Bag** on Tuesday, June 12 which debuted at No. 1 on the *Billboard* Country Albums Chart. The *Associated Press* says, "With **Punching Bag**, Turner once again proves he ranks among the most effective -- and most hard-core country -- performers of his generation." For more information on Josh Turner including a list of his upcoming headlining tour dates, visit www.JoshTurner.com.

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