



**MICHAEL'S PLACE PRESENTS "THE GREATEST SHOWMAN" FOR ANNUAL
"NIGHT AT THE MOVIES" FUNDRAISER**

Local talented youth performers to introduce film on Friday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m.

TRAVERSE CITY, MICH., April 2, 2018 – Michael's Place, northern Michigan's only non-profit grief support center, is excited to announce a very special viewing of *The Greatest Showman*. The film will be shown as part of Michael's Place's 9th annual *A Night at the Movies* fundraiser at the State Theatre in Traverse City on Friday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m.

The evening begins with a special pre-show musical medley of award-winning songs from the film, including "*This is Me*" performed by exceptionally talented local youth. The film is filled with powerful themes like redemption, devotion, risk, celebration, and combined with a sing-a-long soundtrack. Proceeds from this event go directly to support the programs and services of Michael's Place.

"Michael's Place is grateful to all of our generous sponsors that make this event possible, and especially excited to have the show introduced with a performance by a group of special kids," said Executive Director, Mindy Buell. "In addition to funds raised from ticket sales, their support helps us to continue our mission of providing grief support services at no charge to those in need."

The Greatest Showman is the story of PT Barnum, the imaginative visionary who rose from humble beginnings to create the greatest show on earth. Hugh Jackman displays his extraordinary musical talents along with a star-studded cast, creating a memorable movie-going experience. *Rated PG.*

Tickets for the event are \$25 and include admission, popcorn, and beverages. To order, visit www.MyMichaelsPlace.net or www.stateandbijou.org or call 231.947.6453. All proceeds directly support Michael's Place programs and ensure that these services remain at no cost to our community.

A Night at the Movies is presented by North Bay Produce and The State Theatre, with Major Sponsor support from American Waste, Johnson and Associates Insurance, and Snap! Printing.

“We are incredibly appreciative of The State Theatre, our sponsors, and the volunteers, who again are partnering with us to make *A Night at the Movies* a success,” said Chris Dennis, founder and board member of Michael’s Place. “Their support allows us to provide innovative and compassionate programs designed to help those who are grieving.”

About Michael’s Place

Michael’s Place is a grief support center for children, teens, adults. The organization gives those who grieve a voice to share their story, care and support to survive their loss, and hope to begin to live again. In 2017, Michael’s Place served nearly 3000 in our region throughout all programs and services.

For more information, visit www.MyMichaelsPlace.net or call (231) 947-6453.

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