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**Ride Napa Valley Hosts Inaugural Rock the Ride Napa
with Special Guest Congressman Mike Thompson**
Walk & Ride in Support of Gun Violence Prevention

Yountville, CA (June 12th, 2018) – [Ride Napa Valley](#) announces Rock the Ride Napa, an inaugural benefit bike ride and walk for gun violence prevention. The event, in support of two important non-profit organizations: Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense and Giffords, will take place Saturday, June 30th in Yountville, California. Starting at the Yountville Community Center (6516 Washington St, Yountville, CA 94599) and ending at Yountville Park (2900 Lincoln Ave, Yountville, CA 94599), attendees can choose to walk or ride to show their support.

An avid cyclist himself, Congressman Mike Thompson is planning to ride the 25-mile route. “Cyclists, to me, are not just a very giving community, but also one that will take on issues, then raise their voices and funds to make a difference. What’s happening across our country and in our schools is just not normal, and we must have the courage to fight gun violence together.” Thompson, who was named chair of the Gun Violence Prevention Task Force in the House of Representatives, is committed to mobilizing communities and demanding action to end gun violence. Other notable special guests include Congressman Dan Kildee, Assemblymember Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Supervisor Ryan Gregory, and Yountville Mayor John Dunbar.

In addition to the 25-mile ride, Rock the Ride offers a 10-mile ride on the Napa Valley Vine Trail and a 3-mile walk in the storybook town of Yountville. “Our goal is to have both cyclists and walkers come out to learn and listen to our local and national leaders, and educate our community on ways to prevent gun violence,” said Host and Event Director Rebecca Kotch. The ride and walk will be followed by burritos and bubbles in the park and a silent auction. Key event partners include Congressman Jared Huffman, State Senator Bill Dodd, Trincherro Family Estate, Frog’s Leap Winery and Staglin Family Vineyards.

For more information about the event, visit RocktheRideNapa.com.

About Rock the Ride Napa

Rock the Ride Napa, a one-day cycling and walking event, is a forum for the community to come together to participate in the national dialogue surrounding gun violence prevention through sport. Attendees choose to walk or ride, then enjoy bubbles and burritos at the finish, where they can engage with various leaders in the gun violence prevention space. Inspired by the event's special guest Congressman Mike Thompson, Rock the Ride Napa benefits Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America and Giffords: Courage to Fight Gun Violence. For more information, please visit RocktheRideNapa.com.

About Giffords

Giffords is a national organization committed to fighting for a safer America, one where our children grow up without fear of gun violence. Giffords researches and proposes policies that will make our communities safer and mobilizes voters and lawmakers in support of safer gun laws. Founded by gun owners, former Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords and her husband, Navy Combat veteran and retired NASA astronaut Capt. Mark Kelly, Giffords brings together people from all walks of life, including veterans, law enforcement officers, faith leaders, lawyers, business leaders, doctors, students, parents, teachers to inspire the courage of our nation to stand together and make change happen. For more information, please visit giffords.org.

About Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense

Much like Mothers Against Drunk Driving was created to reduce drunk driving, Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America was created to demand action from legislators, state and federal; companies; and educational institutions to establish common-sense gun reforms. Moms Demand Action is a program of Everytown for Gun Safety, the largest gun violence prevention advocacy organization in the country, with more than 4.5 million grassroots supporters. For more information on joining, volunteering, finding a local chapter, or donating, please visit momsdemandaction.org.

About Ride Napa Valley

Ride Napa Valley (RNV) is a full service event production company based in Napa Valley, California. RNV creates cycling and wellness events with a unique focus on food and wine. All RNV event proceeds are dedicated to non-profit organizations.

Signature events include CampoVelo Napa Valley, a three-day food, wine and cycling event in Napa Valley benefiting No Kid Hungry and the Napa Valley Vine Trail; Cycle for Sight, a one-day event in support of The Pathway Home and the Enchanted Hills Camp for the Blind; and other corporate events and custom experiences such as Loco-motion, the annual gala benefiting the Napa Valley Vine Trail. For more information, please visit RideNapaValley.com.

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