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JOINT STATEMENT BY ARCADE FIRE and THE POLARIS MUSIC PRIZE

(**August 27, 2007**) Toronto, ON – The Polaris Music Prize Nominees CD does not contain a track by Arcade Fire, one of 10 nominees for the 2007 prize. This has been erroneously characterized as a slight or “snub” by some media outfits. The band has a ‘no-compilation’ policy and as a result, a track from their nominated disc **Neon Bible** was not included among the other nine selections, nor was there a mention of them on the CD.

Jessica Zambri of Quest Management, Arcade Fire’s management office, released this statement today.

"Arcade Fire has always had a firm policy to not participate in compilation style CD's. They feel strongly about releasing their own music. The Polaris Music Prize asked us if we'd like to contribute a song to their compilation of nominees and unfortunately our approval came too late to be included before the CD was manufactured."

Steve Jordan, Executive Director of the Polaris Music Prize, apologized for the situation. "We didn't properly inform the public or anticipate the potential for confusion among their fans for the lack of inclusion. For that, we apologize. We congratulate the band on their nomination and wish them luck when the winner is announced on September 24th."

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