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"ALL THE LONELY PEOPLE" BENEFIT DOCUMENTARY PREMIERE COOLIDGE CORNER THEATRE, DECEMBER 9

"All The Lonely People," a dcumentary film exploring the troubling increase of chronic loneliness and social isolation affecting people throughout the world, will have its first worldwide screening at a benefit showing at Brookline's Coolidge Corner Theatre on Thursday, December 9, at 6:00 pm. In order to reach the greatest audience, the screening is both in-person and virtual.

Director Stu Maddux and Producer Joe Applebaum have gathered personal stories of chronic loneliness affecting people everywhere. They explore unique solutions and programs that are helping to reduce social isolation and build community. These solutions can be helpful in our own neighborhoods.

Director Maddux states, "Social isolation is a danger to health, comparable to the risks of smoking, high blood pressure and obesity. COVID-19 has increased the epidemic of social isolation and loneliness worldwide. In our film we demonstrate some solutions."

The premier screening of "All The Lonely People" will include Q&A with Maddux and Applebaum. A private reception exclusively for sponsors and VIP ticket holders will follow the screening.

All proceeds from this benefit showing will support local initiatives designed to ease social isolation and loneliness, as well as a national social impact campaign. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent of the law.

"This first screening of "All The Lonely People" is a community event sponsored by Brookline Community Aging Network (BrooklineCAN) and multiple other organizations," said Ruthann Dobek, Co-Chair of BrooklineCAN. "We are committed to combating social isolation and loneliness. We have made a priority of implementing creative neighborhood solutions and look forward to recruiting more volunteers to work with us."

To purchase tickets for the in-person showing, or for virtual access, see: https://gscommunitycare.org/Cart-All-the-Lonely-People-Special-Advanced-Screening-2021 Brookline Community Foundation is graciously sponsoring tickets for those who can't otherwise attend (contact Jamie Jensen at 617-730-2753 or ijensen@brooklinema.gov).