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**LEVAR BURTON TO DIRECT
A LOU REDA PRODUCTION
'TWO-FRONT WAR'**

**A MULTI-PERSPECTIVE LIMITED SERIES ON BLACK AMERICA'S
FIGHT IN VIETNAM AND IN AMERICA**

LeVar Burton is set to direct a Lou Reda Productions TWO-FRONT WAR a multi-perspective limited series. TWO-FRONT WAR gives voice to first-person accounts from African-American veterans, activists, journalists, students and civilians at the forefront of a two-pronged war for freedom abroad and at home.

LOS ANGELES, CA, AUGUST 3, 2020 - LeVar Burton Entertainment and Lou Reda Productions presents **TWO-FRONT WAR**, an emotionally raw limited documentary series that explores the connection between the fight for civil rights in America, and the struggle for equality of Black soldiers in Vietnam.

"TWO-FRONT WAR has been a passion project for us for nearly 10 years and we are extremely excited to have LeVar's truly unique point of view as director. With LeVar, we are confident we will find the perfect home for this limited series. - Marc L. Reda

In the era of Black Lives Matter activism, this story has particular resonance, and with the Vietnam war and the civil rights movement receding in time, it is imperative to tell this story while key figures are still with us.

"I have looked long and hard to find a subject that inspires me to want to bring my voice to the field of documentary filmmaking. Both the Vietnam War and the movement for Civil Rights in America, are events that not only dominated my childhood and adolescence, they have gone a long way towards shaping the man and the storyteller I am today." - LeVar Burton

ABOUT TWO FRONT WAR - Drafted in unprecedented numbers from a society that too often denied them their own rights, Black soldiers found themselves fighting for the freedom of others a world away on the battlegrounds of a vicious, small unit war. In Vietnam for Black soldiers conflict was everywhere – war threatened their lives, the military often treated them as second class citizens, their country denied them. Conflict also followed them home, with Black veterans militarizing the stalled Civil Rights Movement, which erupted into the streets, bringing the now familiar fire and fury of war to the inner-cities of America. **TWO FRONT WAR** tells the intertwined story of America’s black Vietnam and memorializes a bravery and perseverance that spanned from Saigon to Selma, from the Mekong to Mississippi. It is an important chapter, with lessons for us all, in our continuing American story.

ABOUT LEVAR BURTON ENTERTAINMENT - LeVar creates content that builds community, fosters empathy, champions diversity - all while maintaining his integrity. Helmed by storytelling juggernaut, LeVar Burton, whose decades long body of work includes: ROOTS, STAR TREK: THE NEXT GENERATION, and READING RAINBOW. 13 Emmy Awards, 3 NAACP Awards, Grammy Award for Spoken Word Album, Peabody Award, The Fred Rogers Award, Inamori Prize for Ethics in Entertainment, Star on Hollywood Walk of Fame, LeVar Burton Park - City of Sacramento, Commissioner of Libraries and Information Sciences, appointed by President Bill Clinton, Award-Winning Author of The Rhino Who Swallowed a Storm, Podcast Host of LeVar Burton Reads: reached #5 in overall rankings on iTunes, with over 25 million downloads.

ABOUT LOU REDA PRODUCTIONS - Over the past 40 years, REDA FILMS has produced hundreds of hours of programming for U.S. and international television networks, while garnering immense praise in the form of a People’s Choice Award, a Peabody, and nine Emmy nominations (including one win). Among the company’s most recent productions are the Emmy-winning History Channel event television series, WWII in HD (narrated by Gary Sinise), Vietnam in HD (narrated by Michael C. Hall) and the National Geographic Channel special, Brothers in War (narrated by Charlie Sheen), which was nominated for a long-form Emmy in 2015. 2020 saw the release of Reda Films’ newest National Geographic project, Heroes of the Sky: The Mighty Eighth Air Force.

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