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**COMPELLING OKLAHOMA SONGWRITER JOHN MORELAND GOES DEEP ON
HIS LATEST ALBUM *HIGH ON TULSA HEAT*
DUE OUT APRIL 21ST**

"...Moreland sings in the gritty, emotive style of the new greats and with the wit and force of the old veterans." - American Songwriter

Nashville, TN – Oklahoma based singer-songwriter John Moreland will release *High On Tulsa Heat* on April 21st, via Thirty Tigers. The ten songs on *High On Tulsa Heat* explore themes of self-reflection, broken faith, love, failure and success. Moreland opens himself up via his poignant lyrics and honest, sincere delivery. Loud bar-room chatter and clanking glasses become silent when the 29 year old opens his mouth and begins to sing, and his songs are clearly connecting with people, earning him a devoted and steadily growing fan-base around the country.

While Moreland's songs have the lived-in vibe of a man who set out on the path to be a troubadour, his first musical love wasn't dustbowl flavored folk songwriting. During his teenage years, he played in local hardcore punk bands where he wrote original material because, as he describes, "they needed something to play". After his father exposed him to the earnest songs of Neil Young, Townes Van Zandt and Guy Clark he decided that, "my Dad's music was just cooler than mine". With Steve Earle as his "gateway drug" Moreland was inspired to hone his songwriting craft and dig deeper lyrically.

High On Tulsa Heat was self produced and recorded in a home studio in Oklahoma, a minimalist approach, allowing the songwriting and vocals to take center stage. A highlight of the album, with its haunting melody, is "Cherokee". Inspired by a vivid dream and left open to interpretation, the lyrics leave the listener feeling every ounce of pain and longing Moreland puts into it.

Moreland has been steadily gaining the respect of his peers, and has recently opened for the likes of Jason Isbell and Amos Lee. His last album *In The Throes*, captured the attention of *FX's Sons of Anarchy*, which featured three of his songs in the hit series. While others bury experiences and stifle regrets, the beauty of John Moreland is that he makes you feel.

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JOHN MORELAND TOUR DATES

April 15th **Nashville, TN** Music City Roots

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April 16th **Little Rock, AR** White Water Tavern

April 17th **Oklahoma City, OK** Blue Door

April 18th **Tulsa, OK** Woody Guthrie Center

April 19th **Austin, TX** Cactus Café

April 20th **Dallas, TX** Kessler Theater

April 25th **Indio, CA** Stagecoach Festival

April 26th **Los Angeles, CA** The Roxy

April 27th **Bakersfield, CA** House Show

April 30th **San Francisco, CA** Thee Parkside

More dates to be added soon. For more information on where to catch John Moreland live in concert please visit: <http://www.johnmoreland.net/>