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WORLD Channel Focuses on Democracy and Human Rights in July

June 13, 2019 – From immigration to gun violence, health care to economic equality and more - major issues influence citizens and can impact our democracy. Throughout the month of July, WORLD Channel will showcase films that tackle difficult topics, with stories told through first-hand perspectives and historic narratives, uncovering issues from the past and addressing those in the present: local stories with impact nationally and internationally.

“As engaged citizens, we have a responsibility to be informed about the issues impacting our lives at the local and national level,” said Chris Hastings, WORLD Channel Executive Producer. “The films this month delve deep into stories behind the headlines and humanize people dealing with challenges firsthand.”

July Highlights Include:

- **American ReFramed: Care** illuminates the many challenges and deep attachments between the elderly and the home care workers they depend on – and exposes the cracks in a system that is not serving either.
- **Moscone: A Legacy of Change** chronicles the life of George Moscone, California legislator and mayor of San Francisco, whose life was cut short tragically by an assassin's bullet. The film chronicles how Moscone changed the face of progressive politics both locally and nationally with his campaigns on behalf of racial equality, fair labor practices, and civil rights, especially for the LGBTQ community.
- **Local USA: Opioids from Inside** follows the journey of three women, all mothers, who have served time in New York State jails for opioid-related crimes. Growing up, these women dreamed of having a family, a career. None of them dreamed of being an addict. Told in the first-person, with no narration, the film follows the story arc of their lives before drugs, the powerful drugs that took over their lives, and the effect addiction has had on their families.

More than 40 films will be featured on WORLD Channel this month. For a complete list of July schedule highlights on WORLD Channel, click [here](#).

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WORLD Channel tells stories that humanize complex issues. WORLD shares the best of public media in news, documentaries and fact-based informational programming that helps us

understand conflicts, movements and cultures that may be distinct from our own. WORLD's original content offers a national platform to makers examining issues too often ignored by mainstream media. These emerging and master filmmakers spotlight a diversity of voices, telling stories not heard elsewhere. WORLD has won a Peabody Award, an Alfred I. duPont-Columbia Award and numerous national honors—including an RTNDA Kaleidoscope Award, a Media for a Just Society Award, two Lesbian & Gay Journalist Awards, a Gracie and an Asian American Journalists Award. Carried by 159 partner stations in markets representing 66% of US TV Households, WORLD can also be experienced via WORLDChannel.org and social media platforms. Major funding for WORLD has been provided by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB). Additional funding provided by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, the Wyncote Foundation, and the National Endowment for the Arts.