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Important Notice Regarding Jun Maeda

Thank you for your continued support of VISUAL ARTS/Key. We would like to share an important update concerning our creator, Jun Maeda.

Since early spring of this year, Maeda has been experiencing discomfort in his throat, with swelling and pain becoming more pronounced this summer. Following a thorough medical examination, he was diagnosed with pharyngeal cancer.

In addition to writing scenarios and creating music for Heaven Burns Red, Maeda had also been developing plans for a new music project.

After careful consideration of his condition and the outlook for treatment, Maeda has chosen not to pursue active treatment and instead to focus on palliative care, wishing to conserve his strength and devote himself to his creative work.

Status of Future Creative Activities

We would like to provide the following update regarding his creative activities going forward.

• Regarding Heaven Burns Red

For the main story, Maeda has completed the portions under his responsibility through the first half of Chapter 6. He has also finished creating all the major story elements that will carry the narrative through the conclusion of Chapter 6.

In addition, he has completed the lyrics and composition for the songs featured in the first half of Chapter 6.

Regarding scenarios and songs other than those described above, depending on the progression of his illness, Maeda may be unable to participate in their creation.

• Regarding a New Music Project

As a new challenge, Maeda had planned to launch an original music project on YouTube with newly created songs over the long term.

However, after learning of his diagnosis with pharyngeal cancer, he felt that there was little time remaining in which he would be able to continue creating. As a result, he has decided to change course and focus on completing the songs currently in development as quickly as

possible so that they can be delivered to the fans.

At Maeda's strong request, these works will be released sequentially on YouTube going forward.

Messages and Letters of Encouragement

If you would like to send Jun Maeda a message or letter of encouragement, please use the contact information below. Although we are unable to reply individually, all letters received will be delivered to him. We respectfully ask that you refrain from sending gifts or other get-well items; please send letters only.

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We sincerely apologize to fans and partners for this sudden announcement.

Maeda is currently hospitalized, but even under these circumstances, he remains strongly determined to devote himself to creative work through to the very end.
We would be grateful for your warm understanding and support of his wishes.

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