

= Stand Up for Love =

" Stand Up for Love " is a song recorded by American girl group Destiny 's Child for their first greatest hits album , # 1 's ( 2005 ) . Columbia Records released it as the album 's first single on September 27 , 2005 . The song was written by Amy Foster @-@ Gillies and David Foster with the latter also serving as the producer along with Humberto Gatica . Musically , " Stand Up for Love " is a slow @-@ tempo adult contemporary ballad inspired by poverty @-@ stricken children and families . It was termed the 2005 World Children 's Day Anthem and used in conjunction with McDonald 's ' Ronald McDonald House Charities in order to raise awareness of that day .

Upon its release , " Stand Up for Love " received negative reviews from music critics who criticized its composition and inclusion on the compilation album . The song became Destiny 's Child 's first single to fail to chart in the United States or any other music chart . A music video was directed by Matthew Rolston featuring the band members singing the song , both individually and together . " Stand Up for Love " was performed live by Destiny 's Child in November 2005 at the Jimmy Kimmel Live ! show and on World Children 's Day at Ronald McDonald House in Los Angeles . Several South Korean groups and singers covered the song .

= = Background and release = =

Canadian musician David Foster was inspired to write " Stand Up for Love " for poverty @-@ stricken children and families which receive funds from charitable organization . Destiny 's Child group member Beyoncé acknowledged that they wanted to record the song for the people who help impoverished families . She furthered saying , " The kids we 've met have no idea how much they 've given us . We wanted to record this song for them , in hopes that people would hear their voice through ours . " Michelle Williams further said the song was her " favorite " and went on to describe it as " one of the best songs that we 've done collectively " , emphasizing the vocal performance .

The song has been touted as the 2005 World Children 's Day Anthem in conjunction with Ronald McDonald House Charities . It was used to raise awareness of that day ; Destiny 's Child were also global ambassadors for the 2005 program . In August , 2007 , the Society for the Promotion of Community Standards ( SPCS ) requested " Stand Up for Love " to be played in New Zealand radio stations to reflect on child abuse after the Nia Glassie abuse case received widespread media attention . Similarly , organizations Sensible Sentencing Trust , Family First and For the Sake of Our Children Trust , asked for increased airplay of the song during a three @-@ minute silence which was also requested by them .

The song was sent to rhythmic contemporary radio stations in the US on September 27 , 2005 and was released as a 7 @-@ inch single the same day . On October 3 , 2005 it impacted contemporary hit radio in the US . It was released as a 7 @-@ inch single in the United Kingdom on September 27 , 2005 and in Canada it was available for digital download on March 17 , 2006 . " Stand Up for Love " became the group 's last single together before their disbandment , as the second single from the compilation # 1 's , " Check on It " , was a song by Beyoncé featuring Slim Thug .

= = Recording and composition = =

" Stand Up for Love " was composed and arranged by Canadian musician David Foster , who also served as its co @-@ writer along with his daughter Amy Foster @-@ Gillies . Foster produced the song with Humberto Gatica , who also engineered and mixed it . " Stand Up for Love " was recorded at Chartmaker Studios and The Record Plant , and was mixed at the former . Nathan East was responsible for playing the bass , while Vinnie Colaiuta and Paulinho Da Costa handled the drums and percussion , respectively .

" Stand Up for Love " is a ballad with a length of four minutes and forty @-@ six seconds . A writer of Billboard magazine classified the song as adult contemporary . According to the sheet music published by Peer International Corporation on the website Musicnotes.com , " Stand Up for Love " is set in common time with a slow tempo of seventy beats per minute . It is written in the key of A ?

major , and Destiny 's Child 's vocals range from the low note of E <sup>3</sup> to the high note of E<sup>5</sup> . Michael D. Clark from the Houston Chronicle compared Beyoncé 's vocals with Michael Jackson and Whitney Houston " in an effort to play the weepy heartstrings " . Matthew Jacobs , writing on behalf of The Huffington Post compared the song 's sound to a movie ballad from the 1990s , taken from an empowering animated movie .

= = Reception = =

" Stand Up for Love " received negative reviews by most music critics . James Blake writing for BBC Online , described " Stand Up for Love " as a " sugary ballad " . Pitchfork Media 's writer Jess Harvell criticized the song by writing , " Opener ' Stand Up for Love ' is subtitled the ' 2005 World Children 's Day Anthem ' , which should tell you all you really need to know , i.e. Diane Warren should be banned under the Geneva Conventions " . Fiona Mckinlay criticized the fact that the song was used as an opener for # 1 's and felt it wasn 't " really causing any kind of reaction before they get started properly with Independent Woman Pt.1 " . Houston Chronicle 's Michael D. Clark described the track as " overwrought and overproduced ; at best , it 's a future prom theme " . Matthew Jacobs of The Huffington Post felt it was " great " the song was used for World 's Children day but described it as a " total snoozefest " . A writer for Billboard magazine commented that the song lacked the potential to become a chart @-@ topper . He went on to describe it as a " schmaltzy AC ballad aiming to display the individual talents " of Destiny 's Child 's members , adding that it was " ironic " as the group 's other songs on the disc focused mainly on production . He finished his review by saying that " Stand Up for Love " was a " disappointing nonstarter " .

Jim Kiest from the San Antonio Express @-@ News wrote " hopefully ' Stand Up for Love ' won 't be [ a number @-@ one single ] " . Aidin Vaziri , who positively reviewed the compilation , concluded his essay by writing , " And the less said about the very new stuff , including the single ' Stand Up for Love ( 2005 World Children 's Day Anthem ) , ' the sweeter the memories " . Similarly , Hattie Collins of Yahoo ! Music felt that " Stand Up for Love " was " stuffed full of lazy lyricisms and sloppily sentimentality " further describing it as " utterly vomitous " . She felt that the song was one of the material that " let this otherwise cracking compilation down " . Slant Magazine 's Sal Cinquemani panned the song as " awful and saccharine " and felt that it " show [ s ] that the women of Destiny 's Child are squarely focused on their ( solo ) futures " . In contrast , in 2013 , Lindsey Weber from Vulture put " Stand Up for Love " at number 16 on her list of the top 25 songs by Destiny 's Child . The single failed to chart in the US , becoming the group 's only single to do so .

= = Music video and live performances = =

The music video for " Stand Up for Love " was directed by Matthew Rolston and filmed in September 2005 following Destiny 's Child final concert in Vancouver as part of their tour Destiny Fulfilled ... and Lovin ' It ; MTV News described it as a performance video . It features the group members , wearing black dresses , singing their respective solo verses individually and later together during the song 's chorus in front of a screen which displays videos of children and different scenery . During the end , the group is seen wearing white clothes and performing the song in a white setting ; several shots are filmed using a black @-@ and @-@ white technique . It was released to MTV 's official website on October 25 , 2005 . The clip was also included on Destiny 's Child video album Destiny 's Child Video Anthology ( 2013 ) . At the 2006 MTV Video Music Awards Japan , the fifth annual show of the ceremony , " Stand Up for Love " received a nomination in the category for Best R & B Video but lost to Ai 's " Story " . The same year , the visual was nominated in the category for Outstanding Music Video at the 37th NAACP Image Awards , but lost to Alicia Keys ' " Unbreakable " ( 2005 ) .

Destiny 's Child performed " Stand Up for Love " for the first time on November 15 , 2005 along with " Survivor " on the show Jimmy Kimmel Live ! . It marked their last televised performance together as a group before their disbandment . On the same day , the single was sung by them at Ronald McDonald House Charities in Los Angeles for World Children 's Day .

== Cover versions ==

On June 3 , 2011 , South Korean band Rania , performed " Stand Up for Love " at MBC 's radio programme Shimshimtapa . In April 2013 , singer Aram , a member of the South Korean group Global Icon , uploaded a cover of " Stand Up for Love " . A writer from Allkpop described it as " beautiful " and praised her for " hit [ ting ] every note with perfect control " . At the 2014 Miss Thailand World , contestant Maeya performed " Stand Up for Love " . Bangkok Post 's writer Pim Ungphakorn described it as a " beautiful rendition " .

== Credits and personnel ==

Credits are adapted from the liner notes of the album # 1 's .

== Formats and track listings ==

== Release history ==