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RORY MCILROY COMMITS TO 2018 TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 31, 2018 – The Travelers Championship today announced that Rory McIlroy, a fourtime major champion with 13 PGA TOUR victories, has committed to play in the 2018 tournament.

In his initial appearance at the Travelers Championship, McIlroy tied for 17th a year ago. He closed with a 64 at TPC River Highlands, his best score of the week.

"I made the comment after last year's tournament that I would definitely be back, and I'm delighted that my 2018 schedule will allow me to do that," McIlroy said. "I love everything about the Travelers Championship: the golf course, the positive impact it has on the community and the support we receive from the fans."

McIlroy has become one of the biggest draws in golf. After a remarkable amateur career, he turned professional in 2007 and has since won 22 tournaments around the world. Included in that total is one U.S. Open (2011), one British Open (2014) and two PGA Championships (2012, 2014). He will attempt to complete the career Grand Slam at this year's Masters. McIlroy was named PGA TOUR Player of the Year in 2012 and 2014, and in 2016 he won the TOUR's season-long FedExCup points title. McIlroy, a 28-year-old from Northern Ireland, has held the world's No. 1 ranking for 95 weeks, and is currently ranked No. 8.

"We loved having Rory play in last year's Travelers Championship, and we're so thankful and excited that he's decided to come back," said Andy Bessette, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer at Travelers. "Rory had so many wonderful things to say about his experience, especially when it came to the fans. I know they'll be rooting for him to have another great week this June."

The 2018 Travelers Championship will be held June 18-24 at TPC River Highlands in Cromwell, Connecticut. For more information on this year's tournament, visit <u>www.TravelersChampionship.com</u>.

About the Travelers Championship

The Travelers Championship, held in Cromwell, Connecticut, is one of the premier events on the PGA TOUR and part of the FedExCup series. Named by the PGA TOUR as the 2017 "Tournament of the Year," the Travelers Championship proudly supports the TOUR's Tradition of Giving Back by donating 100 percent of net proceeds to charities. Travelers, a leading provider of property and casualty insurance for <u>home</u>, <u>auto</u> and <u>business</u>, is the Official Property Casualty Insurance Provider of the PGA TOUR. The company became the tournament's title sponsor in 2007. Travelers has been doing business in the Hartford community for more than 160 years and has been a corporate sponsor of this event each year since its inception in 1952. Complete details are available at <u>www.TravelersChampionship.com</u>.