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## JUSTIN THOMAS COMMITS TO 2019 TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Tournament has commitments from two players ranked in the top-5 in the world

**HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 28, 2019** – The Travelers Championship today announced that Justin Thomas, the 2017 PGA TOUR Player of the Year, major champion and No. 4 player in the Official World Golf Ranking, has committed to play in this year's tournament at TPC River Highlands. In 2018, Thomas spent four weeks as the top-ranked player in the world.

Thomas has played TPC River Highlands the past four years, tying for third in 2016. He made his Travelers Championship debut as a 20-year-old amateur in 2013, when he tied for 30<sup>th</sup>.

"In just a few years, Justin has gone from college All-American to tournament- and award-winning PGA TOUR star," said Travelers Championship Tournament Director Nathan Grube. "We appreciate that Justin enjoys coming to TPC River Highlands and look forward to welcoming him and so many of the best players in the world in June."

Thomas has nine career TOUR wins, including five in the 2016-17 season, when he also won the season-long FedExCup points race. His win at the 2017 PGA Championship was his first major title, and he followed that up with his first FedExCup playoff victory at the Dell Technologies Championship. Thomas won three more TOUR events during the 2017-18 season. He has two top-10 finishes already this season, including a third at Kapalua.

Thomas was a member of the 2018 U.S. Ryder Cup team and played in the Presidents Cup in 2017.

"While Justin is a world-class golfer, he's an even better person with whom we've built a strong relationship over the years," said Andy Bessette, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer at Travelers. "He's one of the most exciting young golfers on the PGA TOUR, and our field is already shaping up to be one of the best we've had."

Thomas joins Brooks Koepka in the player field for the 2019 Travelers Championship, which will be held June 17-23 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 in 2017 and 2018 as the recipient of the "Players Choice" award, 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>auto, home</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>.