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## FORTE 5-2 FAVORITE IN KENTUCKY DERBY FUTURE WAGER POOL 6

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Saturday, April 1, 2023)** – Five weeks in advance of the 149<sup>th</sup> running of the \$3 million Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (Grade I), bettors made Florida Derby (GI) winner **Forte** the 5-2 favorite with stablemates **Kingsbarns**, last week's Louisiana Derby (GII) winner, and **Tapit Trice**, the Tampa Bay Derby (GII) winner, both at 11-1 in the sixth and final pool of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager (KDFW).

All three horses are trained by two-time Kentucky Derby winner **Todd Pletcher**.

The three-day pool closed Saturday at 6 p.m. ET in advance of the day's two Road to the Kentucky Derby Championship Series races: the Florida Derby and Arkansas Derby (GI).

Horses in order of the public's betting choice (with Pool 6 odds and \$2 Win will pays): #14 Forte (5-2, \$7.78); #21 Kingsbarns (11-1, \$24.56); #35 Tapit Trice (11-1, \$25.72); #9 **Derma Sotogake (JPN)** (13-1, \$28.18); #26 **Practical Move** (14-1, \$31.56); #40 **"All Other 3-Year-Olds"** (17-1, \$36.56); #37 **Two Phil's** (21-1, \$44.02); #29 **Reincarnate** (24-1, \$51.70); #28 **Red Route One** (24-1, \$51.72); #1 **Angel of Empire** (29-1, \$61.14); #6 **Confidence Game** (29-1, \$61.42); #17 **Hit Show** (30-1, \$63.20); #30 **Rocket Can** (32-1, \$66.14); #10 **Disarm** (33-1, \$68.10); #15 **Geaux Rocket Ride** (33-1, \$68.38); #36 **Two Eagles River** (38-1, \$78.58); #25 **National Treasure** (44-1, \$90.06); #3 **Blazing Sevens** (46-1, \$94.98); #22 **Mage** (46-1, \$95.54); #19 **Instant Coffee** (49-1, \$101.94); #32 **Skinner** (49-1, \$101.98); #38 **Verifying** (50-1, \$102.78); #7 **Continuar (JPN)** (54-1, \$110.56); #13 **Fort Bragg** (58-1, \$119.66); #27 **Raise Cain** (81-1, \$202.64); #12 **Dubyuhnell** (111-1, \$225.32); #34 **Sun Thunder** (113-1, \$228.72); #20 **Jace's Road** (118-1, \$238.04); #33 **Slip Mahoney** (130-1, \$262.44); #11 **Dreamlike** (143-1, \$289.02); #2 **Arctic Arrogance** (165-1, \$333.64); #5 **Classic Car Wash** (169-1, \$478.90); #31 **Shadow Dragon** (299-1, \$600.12); and #16 **Hayes Strike** (404-1, \$810.96).

Total handle for the March 30-April 1 KDFW pool – the final future wager pool in advance of the Kentucky Derby on Saturday, May 6 – was \$369,443 (\$271,230 in the Win pool and \$98,213 in Exactas).

Visit <u>www.KentuckyDerby.com/FutureWager</u> for more information.

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