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STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF FRANK JONES JR.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Thursday, Aug. 10, 2023) - The following is a statement from Churchill Downs Racetrack President Mike Anderson on the passing of prominent Thoroughbred owner and breeder and Kentucky HBPA Director and Vice President Frank Jones Jr.

"The Kentucky horse racing and breeding industry wouldn't be in the strong position it is in today without the passion, commitment and leadership of Frank Jones Jr. From his meaningful contribution to the Kentucky HBPA to his impact on the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission and as past president of the Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners, our sport and community lost a dear friend and tremendous advocate, and we at Churchill Downs lost a valued partner. He will be greatly missed, and our thoughts are with his family and countless number of friends and colleagues during this difficult time."

- Churchill Downs Incorporated CEO Bill Carstanjen

ABOUT CHURCHILL DOWNS RACETRACK

Churchill Downs Racetrack ("CDRT"), the world's most legendary racetrack, has been the home of The Kentucky Derby, the longest continually held annual sporting event in the United States, since 1875. Located in Louisville, CDRT features a series of themed race days during Derby Week, including the Kentucky Oaks, and conducts Thoroughbred horse racing during three race meets in the Spring, September, and the Fall. CDRT is located on 175 acres and has a one-mile dirt track, a 7/8-mile turf track, a stabling area, and provides seating for approximately 60,000 guests. The stable area has barns sufficient to accommodate 1,400 horses and a 114-room dormitory for backstretch personnel. CDRT also has a year-round simulcast wagering facility. www.ChurchillDowns.com.

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