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## TWILIGHT THURSDAY RACING AT CHURCHILL DOWNS CANCELLED BY EXCESSIVE HEAT

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Wednesday, June 15, 2022)** – Thursday's eight-race program at Churchill Downs has been cancelled because of excessive heat in the Louisville area.

Racing at Churchill Downs is scheduled to resume Friday at 12:45 p.m. ET, although track officials will continue to monitor the forecast. Any decision about cancellations in extreme weather conditions is made through consultation with CDI's Equine Medical Director, track management and regulatory officials. Many factors, including temperature, humidity and wind speeds, are evaluated to ensure the safety and well-being of human and equine athletes.

Simulcast wagering also has been cancelled Thursday at Churchill Downs, but online wagering is available at <a href="https://www.TwinSpires.com">www.TwinSpires.com</a>.

Guests may exchange pre-purchased tickets for another comparable race day this year. Ticket exchanges can be made at any Churchill Downs box office location throughout the live racing season. Guests who ordered tickets through Ticketmaster online may visit help.ticketmaster.com for existing order support.

This marks the 23<sup>rd</sup> cancellation in track history and second in as many days. Wednesday's eight-race card also was cancelled because of excessive heat.

## 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 saddling paddock and 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. <a href="https://www.ChurchillDowns.com">www.ChurchillDowns.com</a>.