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SPIETH, MATSUYAMA, FITZPATRICK AND HATTON LATEST TO JOIN FIELD FOR 2024 WM PHOENIX OPEN PRESENTED BY TAYLOR MORRISON

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. – Tournament Chairman George Thimsen announced today three-time Major champion Jordan Spieth, two-time WM Phoenix Open champion Hideki Matsuyama, former U.S. Open champion Matthew Fitzpatrick, and World No. 15 Tyrrell Hatton have committed to play in the 2024 WM Phoenix Open presented by Taylor Morrison, which is scheduled to tee off February 5-11 at TPC Scottsdale.

“We’re excited to welcome back our two-time champion, Hideki Matsuyama, and we’re equally excited to bring back these huge names - as they are some of the world’s top players who have had tremendous success at the WM Phoenix Open,” Thimsen said. “We have seen them already combine for two wins and nine Top-10 finishes at TPC Scottsdale, we can’t wait to see how these fan favorites will perform again this year.”

Between Jordan, Hideki, Matthew and Tyrrell we have been able to see two wins and nine additional Top-10 finishes. We can’t wait to see if these TOUR fan favorites add to their impressive resumes this year.”

Spieth’s storied career began in 2013 where he was awarded PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year honors, and just two years later in 2015, the Texas native put together one of the greatest PGA TOUR seasons of all time. That year Spieth won five times including two Major titles (2015 Masters, 2015 U.S. Open) and the season-ending TOUR Championship on his way to a FedExCup title and PGA of America and PGA TOUR Player of the Year honors. Spieth has 13 total PGA TOUR victories and three Major championship titles under his belt, was part of the victorious 2013, 2015, 2017 and 2022 U.S. Presidents Cup teams as

well as being a member on five U.S. Ryder Cup teams (2014, 2016, 2018, 2021, 2023). Spieth is currently ranked No. 14 in the Official World Golf Rankings and will make his eighth WM Phoenix Open start in 2024 where he has four Top-10 finishes.

Matsuyama's stellar career includes 17 worldwide wins, counting the 2021 Masters at Augusta National where he became the first Japanese born player to win a Major. The eight-time PGA TOUR winner – and two-time WM Phoenix Open champion – is one of only eight players to successfully defend their WM Phoenix Open title the following year. Matsuyama also is the second-leading money winner at the WM Phoenix Open, earning more than \$3.7 million in 10 starts. Matsuyama will vie for his third WM Phoenix Open title in 2024, seeking to become only the fourth player in tournament history to win three times.

Fitzpatrick has two PGA TOUR and eight DP World Tour wins to his name during his 10-year professional career, the most impressive of which came at the 2022 US Open at The Country Club in Brookline. Fitzpatrick picked up his second PGA TOUR victory last season at the 2023 RBC Heritage to go along with a T2 at the BMW Championship and five additional Top-10 finishes, a season good enough for a 9th place finish in the year-long FedExCup race. Fitzpatrick has been named to three European Ryder Cup teams (2016, 2021, 2023) and is currently ranked No. 8 in the Official World Golf Rankings. He will make his third WM Phoenix Open appearance this year.

English golfer Tyrrell Hatton has six international wins to go along with a lone PGA TOUR victory at the 2020 Arnold Palmer Invitational at Bay Hill. In the 2023 season he secured seven Top-10 finishes, including a runner-up position at The Players Championship on his way to a 16th-place finish in the FedExCup standings. In addition to his individual successes, Hatton was named to the European Ryder Cup three times (2018, 2021, 2023), contributing to his team's victories the latter two of those occasions. Hatton is currently ranked 16th in the Official World Golf Rankings and will make his third appearance at TPC Scottsdale coming off a T6 finish last year.

The field now features six of the Top-10 and 15 of the Top-30 players in the world including World No. 1 and back-to-back WM Phoenix Open champion Scottie Scheffler, 2023 FedExCup Champion Viktor Hovland (4), Xander Schauffele (5), Max Homa (7), Fitzpatrick (8), reigning U.S. Open champion Wyndham Clark (10), Spieth (14), Hatton (16), Sahith Theegala (19), Cameron Young (21), Sam Burns (22), Justin Thomas (23), Tony Finau (26), Rickie Fowler (27), and Sungjae Im (28).

The 2024 WM Phoenix Open will take place Feb. 5-11 at TPC Scottsdale. "The People's Open" was named Tournament of the Year at the 2023 PGA TOUR annual meetings, garnering the award for the fifth time to acknowledge the tournament's legendary status as one of the most unique events in golf. Scottie

Scheffler is the defending champ, (won in 2022 and 2023) and has the rare opportunity to achieve only the second three-peat in WM Phoenix Open history since Arnold Palmer (1961-63). The 2024 edition will mark the 89th playing of the event (one of the five oldest events on the PGA TOUR) and the 15th with WM as title sponsor. For more information, visit www.wmphoenixopen.com.

The Thunderbirds were founded in 1937 with the mission of promoting the Valley of the Sun through sports. The Thunderbirds consist of 55 “active” members and more than 280 “life” members who have helped the tournament eclipse \$190 million in charitable giving since its inception in 1932 (through the 2023 tournament). For more information on The Thunderbirds or the 2024 WM Phoenix Open, visit www.wmphoenixopen.com.

