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## LARRY FITZGERALD, ALEXANDRA O'LAUGHLIN, GERINA PILLER AND ROB RIGGLE AMONG EARLY LIST OF CELEBS TO APPEAR IN ANNEXUS PRO-AM AT THE 2021 WASTE MANAGEMENT PHOENIX OPEN

**SCOTTSDALE, Ariz.** – Arizona Cardinals all-time leading receiver Larry Fitzgerald, Golf Channel correspondent Alexandra O'Laughlin, LPGA player Gerina Piller and actor/comedian Rob Riggle are among the early list of celebrates who will be playing in the Annexus Pro-Am at the Waste Management Phoenix Open on Wednesday, February 3 at TPC Scottsdale's Stadium Course.

A regular fixture at the Annexus Pro-am, Fitzgerald recently finished his 17<sup>th</sup> season in the NFL – all with the Arizona Cardinals. During that time, Fitzgerald has been named to 11 Pro Bowls, one First Team All-Pro (2008), twice led the NFL in receptions (2005, 2016), twice led the NFL in receiving touchdowns (2008, 2009), won the Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year Award in 2016 and is currently ranked second all-time in NFL receiving yards with 17,492.

O'Laughlin joined Golf Channel in 2017 as a reporter and correspondent focusing on digital and social coverage of PGA TOUR events. She has done an increasing number of travel pieces for the network including "Go Around with Alexandra O'Laughlin", a regular segment in which O'Laughlin travels the world uncovering fun and interesting things about the game of golf.

Professional golfer and Waste Management ambassador Gerina Piller is one of the most consistent golfers on the LPGA Tour with 36 career top-10s over her seven-year career. In 2016, the best year of her career, she had top-12s in four of the five major championships and rose to No. 19 in the World Golf Rankings. Piller has been a U.S. team member of three Solheim Cup events in 2013, 2015 and 2017.

Riggle is an American actor, comedian and former United States Marine Officer best known for his work as a correspondent on Comedy Central's The Daily Show from 2006 to 2008. Riggle also was as a cast member on Saturday Night Live from 2004 to 2005, and cast as a recurring character Gil Thorpe on the sitcom Modern Family. Riggle also had a role in comedic films such as "The Hangover", "The Other Guys", "Let's Be Cops", "Dumb & Dumber Two", "21 Jump Street", "22 Jump Street", "The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard", and "Step Brothers".

Tee times for the Annexus Pro-Am will range from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Exact tee times for participants will be announced on Tuesday, Feb. 2 on WMPhoenixOpen.com, along with a complete list of celebrities and PGA TOUR players in the field.

The 2021 WM Phoenix Open will be held at TPC Scottsdale February 1-7. "The People's Open" was named the Tournament of the Year by the PGA TOUR four times in the past six years (2014, 2015, 2018, 2019) to acknowledge the tournament's legendary status as one the most unique events in golf. The 2021 edition will mark the 86th playing of the event (one of the five oldest events on the PGA TOUR) and the 12th as the WM Phoenix Open.

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. The Thunderbirds raised a record \$14 million for charity from proceeds from the 2020 WM Phoenix Open and have eclipsed \$161 million in charitable giving since its inception in 1932. For more information on The Thunderbirds or the 2021 WM Phoenix Open, visit www.wmphoenixopen.com.

