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56th Congressional Baseball Game for Charity Raises a Record \$1.5 Million

With Almost 25,000 in Ticket Sales

Washington, DC – June 19, 2017 – The Congressional Baseball Game for Charity on Thursday, June 15, 2017 at Nationals Park in Washington, DC raised over \$1.5 million with 24,959 in ticket sales. The game took on a more profound meaning after Wednesday's shooting as Americans from all backgrounds stood united in the name of charity.

The shooting at the Republican practice on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 injured Congressman Steve Scalise, Matt Mika, Zachary Barth, and two United States Capitol Police Officers, David Bailey and Crystal Griner. Due to the outpouring of support, some of the funds will be directed to those who put their lives on the line that day and those who were injured. We are working with the United States Capitol Police to ensure that the officers present will be supported.

The charities we have provided grants to in the past include: The Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Washington, The Washington Nationals Dream Foundation and The Washington Literacy Center. These three charities will receive a portion of proceeds, along with charities that will show our gratitude to the United States Capitol Police officers and those injured last week.



Congressional Sports for Charity Board of Directors (Photo Credit: Daniel Swartz)



About the Congressional Baseball Game for Charity

Since 1909 the Congressional Baseball Game has been an annual bipartisan event beloved by all and enjoyed by thousands. Members of the United States Congress from each party solidify friendships off the floor and on the field. Over the last century the Congressional Baseball Game's popularity has contributed to its evolution into a foundation called Congressional Sports for Charity that supports worthy and effective Washington, DC area charities, including The Washington Literacy Center, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Washington, and the Washington Nationals Dream Foundation among others including charities that will show our gratitude to the United States Capitol Police officers and those injured at the Republican practice shooting on June 14, 2017.

For additional details about the Congressional Baseball Game for Charity, please visit:

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