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## Marriott Vacations Worldwide Celebrates 18 Years of Caring for the Children of Central Florida with Record Donation from Charity Golf Event

ORLANDO, Fla., June 18, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- On Friday, April 24, Marriott Vacations Worldwide (NYSE: VAC) hosted its 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Caring Classic Charity golf tournament which resulted in a record breaking net donation of over \$265,000 for Greater Orlando Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. This represents a cumulative total of over \$2.2 million in funds raised since the tournament's inception that directly benefit the young patients treated at UF Health Shands Children's Hospital and Arnold Palmer Medical Center.



"The generosity and support of our business partners from across the country who travel from near and far to take part in this special day is to be commended," said Stephen P. Weisz, president and chief executive officer. "It's because of their kindness we are able to continue our commitment to help sick kids in Central Florida get better."

This year's tournament moved to The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club, Orlando where a full field of 156 golfers sold out in a record of five weeks and supporting sponsors represented 99 Marriott Vacations Worldwide partners. Over 60 Marriott Vacations Worldwide associate volunteers and golf staff provided an exceptional on-course hospitality and golf experience for the participants.

"We are grateful for our partnership with Marriott Vacations Worldwide and the generous companies they do business with, who are committed to the care of kids in our community," said Dr. Scott Rivkees, Chairman of the Greater Orlando CMN Hospitals Board of Directors. "Because of their continued support, our hospitals are able to purchase life-saving medical equipment and conduct research to ensure our patients receive the best in class care."

## **About Marriott Vacations Worldwide Corporation**

Marriott Vacations Worldwide Corporation is a leading global pure-play vacation ownership company, offering a diverse portfolio of quality products, programs and management expertise with 59 resorts and approximately 415,000 Owners and Members. Its brands include Marriott Vacation Club, The Ritz-Carlton Destination Club and Grand Residences by Marriott. Since entering the industry in 1984 as part of Marriott International, Inc., the company earned its position as a leader and innovator in vacation ownership products. The company preserves high standards of excellence in serving its customers, investors and associates while maintaining a long-term relationship with Marriott International. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.marriottvacationsworldwide.com">www.marriottvacationsworldwide.com</a>.

## **About Children's Miracle Network Hospitals**

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals® raises funds and awareness for 170 member hospitals that provide 32 million treatments each year to kids across the U.S. and Canada. Donations stay local to fund critical treatments and healthcare services, pediatric medical equipment and charitable care. Since 1983, Children's Miracle Network Hospitals has raised more than \$5 billion, most of it \$1 at a time through the charity's Miracle Balloon icon. Its various fundraising partners and programs support the nonprofit's mission to save and improve the lives of as many children as possible. Find out why children's hospitals need community support, identify your member hospital and learn how you can Put Your Money Where the Miracles Are, at <a href="https://www.CMNHospitals.org">www.CMNHospitals.org</a> and <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CMNHospitals">www.facebook.com/CMNHospitals</a>.

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