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## **Marriott Vacations Worldwide Celebrates 16 Years of Caring for the Children of Central Florida**

ORLANDO, Fla., May 28, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- On Friday, April 19, Marriott Vacations Worldwide (NYSE: VAC) hosted its 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Caring Classic corporate charity golf tournament, raising a net donation of more than \$170,000 for Greater Orlando Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. This represents a cumulative total of nearly \$1.8 million in funds raised since the tournament's inception that directly benefit the young patients of Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children, Winnie Palmer Hospital for Women & Babies and Shands Hospital for Children at the University of Florida.

"Each Marriott Vacations Worldwide associate is committed to giving back to the communities in which we live and work," said Stephen P. Weisz, president and chief executive officer. "Since our company's inception in 1984, we have been passionate supporters of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. The commitment of our associates and valued partners continue to help make a difference in the lives of so many of Central Florida's children."

This year's tournament took place at Marriott's Grande Pines Golf Club, located at 6351 International Golf Club Road, where a full field and supporting sponsors representing 84 Marriott Vacations Worldwide partner companies contributed to the tournament's success. Over 80 Marriott Vacations Worldwide associate volunteers and golf staff provided an exceptional on-course hospitality and golf experience for the participants.

"As the newest member of the Greater Orlando Children's Miracle Network Hospitals team I was overwhelmed by the commitment of the Marriott Vacations Worldwide associates," said Molly Piveral, manager Greater Orlando Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. "Every dollar raised plays a role in helping the families we serve. Without the unselfish dedication of Marriott Vacations Worldwide, we would not be successful. It is with deep heartfelt gratitude I say thank you."

This year's tournament is part of Marriott Vacations Worldwide's overall commitment to the expansion of The Alexander Center for Neonatology at the Winnie Palmer Hospital for Women & Babies. Over the next four years, the company has committed to raise more than \$1 million through existing and new CMN Hospitals fundraising activities benefitting the tiniest lives in Central Florida. In recognition for reaching this goal, a portion of the neonatology unit expansion will be recognized as the "Marriott Vacations Worldwide NICU-POD" which will memorialize the company's long-standing commitment to children, especially the very tiniest newborns.

### **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 more than 60 resorts and more than 420,000 Owners and Members. Its brands include: Marriott Vacation Club, The Ritz-Carlton Destination Club and Grand Residences by Marriott. For more information, please visit [www.marriottvacationsworldwide.com](http://www.marriottvacationsworldwide.com).

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

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals raises funds for 170 children's hospitals across the United States and Canada, which, in turn, use the money where it's needed the most. When a donation is given it stays in the community, helping local kids. Since 1983, Children's Miracle Network Hospitals has raised more than \$4 billion, most of it \$1 at a time. These donations have gone to support research and training, purchase equipment, and pay for uncompensated care, all in support of our mission to save and improve the lives of as many children as possible. Learn more at <http://CMNHospitals.org>.

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