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US National Judges Cup Drives 1300 Gymnasts to Northern Kentucky Convention Center

COVINGTON (January 6, 2016) – The Greater Cincinnati Sports Corporation (GCSC) is proud to announce the Northern Kentucky Convention Center will host the 26th Annual National Judges Cup, January 8-10. This event will feature 1332 gymnasts from 20 states and over 100 judges from 26 states volunteering for the competition.

The National Judges Cup is the only traveling annual invitational in the country, with the mission of supporting the judges of each state and providing them with the opportunity to see gymnasts from all over the country. As the only invitational that supports a four judge panel for all levels of competitions, it provides participants the opportunity to be judged by some of the most recognized and prestigious judges in the United States.

“Northern Kentucky Convention Center is a great location to host this prestigious youth national event for our hotels and restaurants but it also strengthens our region’s character and ability to capture our fair share of the amateur sports market,” said Leslie Spencer, Greater Cincinnati Sports Corp’s Executive Director.

“We are pleased to bring back to Northern Kentucky the National Judges Cup. It is a true testament by re-booking this event that Northern Kentucky is a great host. We know that these guests will enjoy themselves while they are in our area”, said Eric Summe, President & CEO of meetNKY, the Northern Kentucky Convention & Visitors Bureau.

“We are excited to bring the National Judges Cup back to the Northern Kentucky Convention Center. We have a great relationship with the Greater Cincinnati Sports Corporation and meetNKY. They are great partners and extremely important to the success of our competition,” said Linda Barclay, President, USA Sports Production.

The event will bring more than 1300 athletes and their families to Northern Kentucky, representing over \$400,000 in economic impact to the riverfront. This event has also hired over a dozen teenagers from the Covington Boys & Girls Club to set up and tear down, further empowering our local disadvantaged youth. The National Judges Cup is open to the public. Admission is \$15 per person per day. For more event information and a full schedule, please visit www.judgescup.com.

The Greater Cincinnati Sports Corporation (GCSC) strives to enrich the community through the acquisition of amateur and professional sporting events, by maximizing economic impact and promoting the Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky region as a premier sports destination. We have a 26-year history of event management that brings pride, visibility and positive economic impact to this region. From World Championships and National Championships to community-based programs designed to benefit our youth, we are making a difference in the quality of life for Greater Cincinnati. GCSC is funded in part by

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