Feb 16, Charlotte: Fans Flock to Sold-Out All-Star Breakfast—CHARLOTTE, N.C., Feb. 11, 2019

EVENT CELEBRATES LEADERSHIP, CHARACTER ON AND OFF COURT

During NBA All-Star Weekend, one event is featuring a special group of all-stars: players and coaches exhibiting exemplary character, leadership and faith both on and off the court. The sold-out <u>All-Star Breakfast</u> is a fan favorite, providing an opportunity to rub elbows with sports greats.

The 13th annual breakfast is being hosted by Athletes in Action in partnership with the NBA Retired Players Association. The 2019 event will include the presentation of the Jerry Colangelo and Bobby Jones Awards.

The Jerry Colangelo Award recognizes someone in *NBA management* who displays excellent character and leadership in all areas of life. The **2019 Colangelo Award winner is Paul Westphal**, a two-time All American, five-time NBA All-Star, two-time NBA All-Star Head Coach and College Basketball Hall of Famer.

The Bobby Jones Award recognizes a former NBA player who lives an exemplary life on the basketball court, in the home and in the community. The **2019 Bobby Jones Award** winner is three-time All American, four-time NBA All-Star and Basketball Hall of Famer **David Thompson**.

In addition to the award presentations, the event will feature:

- **Tony Dungy**, two-time Super Bowl winner—once as a player, once as a coach—and studio analyst for "Football Night in America"
- Two-time NBA All-Star **Allan Houston** (co-emcee)
- Four-time All-American Gymnast **Kim Anthony** (co-emcee)

WHAT:

Athletes in Action All-Star Breakfast and presentation of the Jerry Colangelo and Bobby Jones Awards

WHEN:

Feb. 16, 2019, 9 a.m.

WHERE:

Renaissance Suites 2800 Coliseum Centre Drive Charlotte, N.C. 28217

The 2019 All-Star Breakfast is open to media, and interviews will be available. Credentials may be obtained at the door. On-site media contact: Dave Lower, 513.659.9181.

The All-Star Moms Champion Outreach also takes place during the NBA All-Star Weekend in conjunction with the All-Star Breakfast. The outreach is designed to champion disadvantaged single moms by delivering a rare opportunity for support and encouragement with an exclusive All-Star experience. The aim is to encourage moms to continue strong in the demanding journey of single parenting. All-Star Moms Champion Outreach is a

community-focused event of Athletes in Action, in partnership with the NBA Retired Players Association.

The All-Star Breakfast is part of Athletes in Action's series of events designed to honor athletes and coaches who model exemplary character, values, integrity and faith. Other events include the <u>Super Bowl Breakfast</u>, the <u>Legends of the Hardwood Breakfast</u> (held annually during Final Four weekend) and the <u>Night of Champions</u> dinner. For more information about Athletes in Action, visit <u>AthletesinAction.org</u>.