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Davis Love III to Make First Trip to Calgary for Shaw Charity Classic —World Golf Hall of Fame member to make rare start on PGA TOUR Champions in Canada—

CALGARY—Davis Love III is the next big name on the PGA TOUR Champions to make his first trip to Calgary to play in the sixth annual Shaw Charity Classic at Canyon Meadows Golf and Country Club, August 27 – September 2, 2018.

The World Golf Hall of Fame member — who remains a mainstay on the regular Tour despite turning 50 four years ago — is one of the most successful players in the history of the game. After winning in his first appearance on the PGA TOUR in 1987, Love III went on to rack up 21 wins. His last triumph came in 2015 at the Wyndham Championship, making him the third-oldest golfer ever to win a PGA TOUR event.

"There is no argument that Davis Love III still has game, so this is a huge win for Calgary," said Sean Van Kesteren, executive director, Shaw Charity Classic. "One of the things that makes the PGA TOUR Champions exciting to watch is you have many of the top names in golf still competitive on the PGA TOUR. Davis is one of those guys. I know he is going to put on a great show at Canyon Meadows."

A two-time U.S. Ryder Cup captain (2016 and 2012) who played on six teams himself, Love III was in the top-10 on the Official World Golf Rankings for more than 450 weeks throughout his career. His biggest win on Tour came at the 1997 PGA Championship when he captured his lone major title at Winged Foot Golf Club. Love III was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame last year.

"I still enjoy preparing and teeing it up on the regular Tour, but I have heard about the success of the Shaw Charity Classic and wanted to be a part of the tournament this year," said Love III. "I have not played in Calgary before, but I have heard nothing but positive things from the golf course to the fan support, and most importantly, the record amount of money this event raises for children's charities."

Love III is now the third big name on the senior circuit to secure a tee time at the Shaw Charity Classic this summer. Defending champion, Scott McCarron, was first to announce he will be back in Calgary. The tournament's inaugural champion, Rocco Mediate, will also be back to entertain Calgary golf fans.

Having raised more than \$22 million in its first five years, the Shaw Charity Classic announced last week an impressive fundraising goal of \$10 million for this year's tournament, which will support 182 children's charities across Alberta. This effort is made possible thanks to renewed support from Shaw Communications and AltaLink for the Shaw Birdies for Kids, presented by AltaLink program.

Corporate packages for the Shaw Charity Classic are available online at www.shawcharityclassic.com.

About the Shaw Charity Classic

The Shaw Charity Classic will host some of the greatest names in the game of golf in Calgary at the Canyon Meadows Golf and Country Club, August 27 – September 2, 2018. The field, which will consist of 78 stars on the PGA TOUR Champions, will compete for US \$2.35 million in a three-round, 54-hole stroke-play tournament. The winner will receive US \$352,500. The annual PGA TOUR Champions stop in Canada showcases Calgary to the world through its broadcast on the Golf Channel. Led by a philanthropic Patron Group including Tournament Chairman – Clay Riddell, Allan Markin, Keith MacPhail, Jim Riddell, Guy Turcotte, Gary Peddle, Mike Culbert and PGA Tour Professional – Stephen Ames, along with title sponsor, Shaw Communications Inc, the Shaw Charity Classic won the prestigious President's Award as the top event on the PGA TOUR Champions in 2017, 2015 and 2014. The Tournament has raised more than \$22.1 million in its first five years, with a PGA TOUR Champions record setting donation of \$8,391,413 raised in 2017 that was distributed amongst 159 youth-based charities in Alberta. For more







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