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Las Vegas Sports Academy & Las Vegas Premier Sports Academy Upcoming Season

Las Vegas, Nevada (May 30th, 2017) Las Vegas Sports Academy and Las Vegas Premier Sports Academy would like to announce exciting news, as they unveil their direction for the upcoming soccer season that begins with try-outs on May 31st, 2017. LVSA & LVPSA have been built on a strong philosophy that shares ideas, coaching methods, administrative guidelines and more. This has created an amazing foundation and culture that has allowed these clubs to achieve great success. However, in true fashion of LVSA & LVPSA, they are ready to push the boundaries once again to bring something dynamic and fresh to their athletes and the Southern Nevada Community.

They are excited to announce that Walid Khoury, the founder of Slammers, has been hired as a consultant to enhance the development of all aspects of the LVSA & LVPSA programs moving forward. This opportunity is an exceptional one for the LVSA & LVPSA soccer programs, and will add to their overall competitive purpose for the future.

When Jim Rasmussen, President of Las Vegas Sports Academy, was asked why was the decision made to bring on Walid and his team, he responded:

"Last week I received a very prestigious award from the Las Vegas City Council, for excellence as a business owner in Las Vegas for 25 years. Over the past 25 years, I have learned that surrounding yourself with those who can make you better is key. I have also learned that you should never think you know it all, as there is always something new to learn from someone. As I was approached with several opportunities this year with soccer, it was imperative that I push the level of expectations for LVSA & LVPSA. I believe that Las Vegas Sports Academy and Las Vegas Premier Sports Academy have the strongest girls and boys programs around. I also believe the amazing families that these athletes are part of, has a direct effect on our greatness. Their positivity is infectious and gives me the drive to continue to expand our program. After much deliberation, I saw the enormous benefit in cultivating a relationship with Walid. By reading through his accolades, it is amazing to see his achievements in such a competitive market such as Southern California.

Once again, I will travel to Regionals with several teams that will represent Nevada. This year 7 teams!! One of those has already qualified for the National Championships! I believe LVSA has the only team qualified for Nationals at this point for the July 2017 event. To continue on this path, I was looking for a collaboration that was a good fit. I knew I was going to raise the expectations of my coaches, my staff and my athletes. To break down new barriers, I need more force, more power and more expertise. So, Walid and I started to strategize. I'm so excited for the future of all my athletes. Buckle up, because the ride is going to be exciting."

WALID KHOURY has become one of the most recognizable faces and personality on the sidelines of youth soccer fields across the Nation. He is one of the founders of national powerhouse Slammers Fútbol Club, which has consistently been ranked as one of the top 5 clubs in the Nation for the past 15 years. Walid and his team have developed some of the best players for all levels, both domestically and internationally.

Walid Khoury has guided Slammers Fútbol Club to four Elite Club National League (ECNL) National Championships, four US Youth Soccer Association National Championships, four US Club Soccer National Championships, and three Manchester United World Championships. In 2012 and 2016, Slammers Fútbol Club was awarded the ECNL Overall Club Championship, one of the most prestigious National awards in youth soccer, which recognizes outstanding performance in competition in every age group throughout the country.

His teams have won every major tournament in the United States. Together, the Khoury brothers have coached more than 500 student-athletes who gone on to play soccer in all divisions of college, at every level of the US National Team system, in the National Women's Soccer League, and on international professional teams. Players he has developed have gone on to become World Cup champions, Olympic gold medalist, many NCAA champions, NCAA Hermann Award winners and finalists, numbers of All-Americans, Gatorade Players of the Year and finalists, United States Youth Players of the Year, United States Female Athletes of the Year, and National Women's Soccer League first-round draft picks. Walid Khoury also won multiple Coach of the Year awards.

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