

## For Immediate Release

## Julian Gressel's Inaugural Gresselmania Golf Classic Raises Over \$90,000 to Help Build a Field for Soccer in the Streets Next StationSoccer Location in Atlanta

**ATLANTA (September 9, 2019)** — Pro soccer player Julian Gressel and his wife, Casey, hosted their inaugural Gresselmania Golf Classic fundraiser on Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at TPC Sugarloaf in Duluth

"We are proud to announce that the Gresselmania Golf Classic raised more than \$90,000 -- the proceeds from our event will go directly to Soccer in the Streets to fund a soccer field at the next Soccer Station build in the metro Atlanta area," said Julian Gressel. "Thank you to all of our sponsors, partners, donors, and friends for coming out to the Gresselmania Golf Classic -- it was an amazing day!"

"Thank you to Julian and Casey for their support and dedication in creating this tournament to help raise funds for a field that will provide access for the youth of Atlanta to the game of soccer," said Phil Hill, executive director of Soccer in the Streets. "And, thank you to all of the sponsors and participants for their generosity."

The Golf Classic featured a day on the links golfing with sports and entertainment celebrities. Many of Julian's teammates and friends rallied to join him to make it a fun day in a stunning setting at the TPC Sugarloaf. 92.9 The Game Sports Radio was on hand for a special LIVE tournament remote to catch all the fun and excitement, along with interviews with Julian and his teammates.

Tournament sponsors and participants were treated to fun contests including a Hole in One contests sponsored by Mercedes-Benz and PGA Tour Superstore. Great food partners offered an array of delicious food and beverages along the course from Beautiful Briny Sea, Babalu's Tapas And Tacos, Three Taverns Brewery, Wild Heaven Beer, and Landshark. Golfers and guests enjoyed a VIP Post Golf party in the clubhouse featuring unique LIVE and Silent auction experiences and sports memorabilia, including a day of golf with Julian at TPC Sugarloaf, and more.

A special thanks to all of the tournament sponsors including, Envistacom, PGA Tour Superstore, Mercedes Benz, Piedmont Healthcare, 92.9 the Game, McDonald's, CAHABA Wealth Management, Frazier and Deeter, Andre de Winter/ Compass, 360 Team, Bennett Thrasher, Conway Wealth Group, Wild Haven Craft Beer, Colliers International, Landshark Margaritaville, Turner Studios, Darren Eales and Richard Mendelsohn, SP Financial Group, Atlanta United, Adidas, Babalu Tapas and Tacos, Beautiful Briney Sea, Bayside FC, Barnes and Thornburg LLP, Haufe, Keller Williams Abbie Shepherd, and Ortho Atlanta.

Celebrities and special guests at the tournament included Gressel's professional soccer teammates **Brek Shea**, **Jeff Larentowicz**, **Kevin Kratz**, **Alec Kann**, **Leandro González Pirez**, **Michael Parkhurst**, and **Brendan Moore**, as well as **Brian Finneran**, former Atlanta Falcon and 680 the Fan Sports Radio Host, **Jason Webster**, former Atlanta Falcon, **Zach Klein**, WSBTV Sports Anchor, **Steve Craig**, 97.1 the River, and **Carl Dukes and Mike Bell** – afternoon hosts on 92.9 the Game Sports Radio.

**Soccer in the Streets** has a vision that all children will have the opportunity to succeed. Soccer in the Streets pursues leveling the playing field for all, affording access to the sport regardless of race, gender, religion, or socio-economic



status. They strive to integrate our communities, intertwining efforts from corporations, education systems, government, non-profits, and community leaders to better the lives of youth through soccer.

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