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PRESS RELEASE

Rapha House Partners with the IRT For Immediate Release

Washington, MO, July 10, 2017 - The men's professional International Racquetball Tour (IRT) is proud to announce a new corporate partnership with longtime supporter Rapha House. Rapha House is a non-profit organization out of Joplin, Mo., committed to ending human trafficking and sexual exploitation of children and adults.

This partnership comes on the heels of the IRT transitioning over to new owners, and will help create exposure to the IRT with corporate sponsors of Rapha House. The ministry will also enjoy high-level exposure to thousands of fans and followers of the IRT and EnetLive.tv.

While the monetary details are not published, John Scott, CEO of the IRT, said that this is a great step in the right direction. "There are a lot of industries and companies that support Rapha House on a yearly basis," Scott said. "This partnership will help us get an inside track to those companies and help the sport of racquetball be seen by executives in the corporate world. I have said from the beginning of the process that we must work to get outside of the court and show the world what the sport is all about. This is one of those ways we now get to do that."

Founded in 2003, Rapha House continues to rescue and rehabilitate in some of the most dangerous regions in the world. Rapha House's three step process, "Love, Rescue, Heal", is their way of life, and it helps bring children closer to freedom. Development Director of Rapha House, Brandon Freed, said he hopes the partnership with the IRT can help get other audiences involved with Rapha House's work. "Rapha House International desires a partnership with the IRT which will engage a new audience of potential partners and activists to stand with Rapha House in combating injustices against children," Freed said

Rapha House Co-Founder and Executive Director, Stephanie Garman Freed, said she looks forward to working with this new audience that the IRT can provide. "We're really trying to reach everybody with our message so that everybody can become educated on this issue and we can take action," Freed said. "This is a preventable issue that we can stop." She added that a more formal partnership with the IRT, behind the power of EnetLive.tv just "makes sense".

"We believe that it is good business for our business to be a support of Rapha House and work with their corporate partners," Scott said. "This is a very, very good day for all involved!"

To learn more about Rapha House and what you can do to help end the sexual exploitation and trafficking of innocent children, visit: www.raphahouse.org

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