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## 21<sup>st</sup> Annual AGEM/AGA Golf Classic Presented by JCM Global Sets New Milestone, Raising More Than \$2 Million to Support National Center for Responsible Gaming

LAS VEGAS (May 30, 2019) – The AGEM/AGA Golf Classic Presented by JCM Global eclipsed a major milestone at its 21<sup>st</sup> annual event last week. Thanks to a generous push by event sponsors and players, the Golf Classic has raised more than \$2 million in support of the National Center for Responsible Gaming (NCRG).

"The NCRG is deeply grateful to JCM, AGA and AGEM for their unwavering support of research designed to address gambling disorder. We thank all involved in the golf classic," said NCRG Executive Director Russell Sanna, PhD.

The 21<sup>st</sup> Golf Classic took place May 7 at the award-winning Cascata Golf Club in Boulder City, NV. A total of 144 players from across the gaming industry spectrum and from across the U.S. participated.

The global gaming industry also supported the NCRG as event sponsors. Major sponsors included the Association of Gaming Equipment Manufacturers (AGEM), the American Gaming Association (AGA), JCM Global, Konami, Las Vegas Sands Corporation and Scientific Games. Other sponsors included Caesars Entertainment, Aristocrat, ICE Totally Gaming, Global Gaming Expo, Indian Gaming Tradeshow & Convention, GGB Magazine, South Point Hotel Casino Spa, Interblock, HK, IGT, Catapult Global, Patriot Gaming and Gary Platt.

The event was punctuated by a surprise additional donation from the Caesars Foundation, made directly to the NCRG for \$150,000.

During the awards ceremony, JCM Global President Takatomo Imai pledged JCM's continued support for the event. The 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Golf Classic is slated for Spring 2020. For more information or to become a sponsor, contact Teri Abou at <a href="mailto:teri.abou@jcmglobal.com">teri.abou@jcmglobal.com</a>.

## **About the NCRG**

The National Center for Responsible Gaming (NCRG) is the only national organization exclusively devoted to funding scientific research on gambling disorder and youth gambling, and supporting science-based education for the public and professionals. Founded in 1996 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, the NCRG is the only national private funder of this line of research in the US. For more information, visit the NCRG website: <a href="https://www.ncrg.org">www.ncrg.org</a>.

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