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BREBEUF JESUIT STANDOUT NAMED GATORADE INDIANA GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (February 5, 2015) — In its 30th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Reilly Martin of Brebeuf Jesuit as its 2014-15 Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Martin is the first Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Brebeuf Jesuit.

The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field, distinguishes Martin as Indiana's best high school girls soccer player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Soccer Player of the Year award to be announced in May, Martin joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy, N.Y.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Alexi Lalas (1987-88, Cranbrook HS, Mich.), Heather O'Reilly (2001-02, East Brunswick HS, N.J.) and Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.).

The 5-foot-9 senior forward scored 29 goals and passed for 27 assists this past season, leading the Braves (22-1) to the Class 2A Carmel Regional championship game. A 2014 All-American selection by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America, Martin missed Brebeuf's final two playoff games to attend a training camp with the U.S. Soccer Under-20 Women's National Team. Ranked as the No. 24 recruit in the Class of 2015 by TopDrawerSoccer.com, she concluded her prep soccer career with 65 goals and 62 assists.

Martin has maintained a 3.83 GPA in the classroom. The co-president of Brebeuf's chapter of STRAP (Students Take Responsibility Against Poverty), she has volunteered locally at a facility for adults with special needs and has also donated her time building water filtration systems that were sent to Haiti.

"Reilly Martin just completely dominated every game she played," said Ramon Aguillon, head coach of Zionsville High. "She was far beyond the best player on the field. She is just so talented and dangerous and can score at will basically anytime she wants to."

Martin has signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer on an athletic scholarship at the University of Michigan beginning this fall.

The Gatorade Player of the Year program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field, and awards one National Player of the Year in each sport. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade high school sports leadership team in partnership with USA TODAY High School Sports, which work with top sport-specific experts and a media advisory board of accomplished, veteran prep sports journalists to determine the state winners in each sport.

Martin joins recent Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Players of the Year Cassidy Blacha (2013-14, Avon High School), Gracie Lachowecki (2012-13, Reitz Memorial Catholic High School), Brooke Backes, (2011-12, Carmel High School), Sarah Killion (2010-11, 2009-10 & 2008-09, Bishop Dwenger High School), Ashley Auld (2007-08, Noblesville High School), and Julie Scheidler (2006-07, Bishop Chatard) among the state's list of former award winners.

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