## JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GAT OR ADE OREGON GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 17, 2020) — In its 35<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced Callan Harrington of Jesuit High School as its 2019-20 Gatorade Oregon Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Harrington is the seventh Gatorade Oregon Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Jesuit High School.

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 Harrington as Oregon'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 June, Harrington joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Alexi Lalas (1987-88, Cranbrook High School, Mich.), Steve Cherundolo (1996-97, Mt. Carmel High School, Calif.), Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy School of Young Women, N.Y.), Heather O'Reilly (2001-02, 2002-03, East Brunswick High School, N.J.), Matt Besler (2004-05, Blue Valley West High School, Kans.), Jack Harrison (2013-14, Berkshire High School, Mass.) and Mallory Pugh (2014-15, Mountain Vista High School, Colo.).

The 5-foot-7 senior forward led the Crusaders to a 19-0-1 record and the Class 6A state championship this past season. Harrington scored a state single-season record 55 goals and passed for 17 assists, netting a pair of scores in Jesuit's 3-0 win over Mountainside High in the state final. The Class 6A State Player of the Year and a two-time First Team All-State selection, Harrington participated in the High School All-American Game in December. She concluded her prep soccer career with a state-record 133 goals to go with 63 assists.

Harrington has volunteered locally at a homeless shelter and food bank, and has donated her time at a camp for adults for disabilities and as a youth soccer coach. "Callan brings a tremendous competitive edge to the game," said Steve Fennah, head coach of Jesuit High. "Frequently double- or triple-teamed, she would use her skills to overcome and, in many cases, use it to bring open teammates into the game."

Harrington has maintained a 3.69 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer on scholarship at the University of Washington.

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 Player of the Year Selection Committee, 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.

Harrington joins recent Gatorade Oregon Girls Soccer Players of the Year Nedya Sawan (2018-19, Mountainside High School), Sydney Collins (2017-18, Jesuit High School), Kaillen Fried (2016-17, Sherwood High School), Lucy Davidson (2015-16, 2014-15, Scappoose High School), and Jill Farley (2013-14, Tualatin High School) among the state's list of former award winners.

Since the program's inception in 1985, Gatorade Player of the Year award recipients have won hundreds of professional and college championships, and many have also turned into pillars in their communities, becoming coaches, business owners and educators.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit www.Gatorade.com/POY, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/Gatorade.