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\$213,000 Raised at A Night of Hope with Lindsay Davenport Benefitting the MaliVai Washington Youth Foundation

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (Oct. 9, 2020) – The Malivai Washington Youth Foundation held their first ever virtual gala, the The Merrill Lynch A Night of Hope, which raised over \$213,000. These funds will allow the Foundation to continue serving hope to hundreds of children and families in Jacksonville through their comprehensive youth development program.

The event, hosted by Curtis Dvorak, featured a message from MaliVai Washington, a look inside MWYF's new teen center, testimonials from alumni and a live and silent auction. World #1 tennis player and Olympic gold medalist, Lindsay Davenport, joined the Foundation as their special guest for a Q&A.

A Night of Hope also honored the recipients of the Foundation's annual scholarship awards. Throughout their 24 year history, MWYF has awarded over \$1.1 million in scholarships to be used for higher education. The winner of the Foundation's highest honor, the George M. Soper Student Athlete of the Year Award, was given to 12th grade student Mya Sudduth, who spoke at A Night of Hope.

A Night of Hope can be viewed at malwashington.com/gala and donations can be made to the Foundation at malwashington.com/donate.

"Holding this event virtually has taken a tremendous amount of work and support which could not have happened without our sponsors, staff, volunteers and donors," said Founder MaliVai Washington.

About MWYF

The MaliVai Washington Youth Foundation is an after-school and summer youth development program in Jacksonville's Urban Core that promotes academic achievement and positive life skills. To learn more, please visit malwashington.com.

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