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3x Olympian & 12x Olympic Medalist Natalie Coughlin will replace Elena Delle Donne as the featured guest at the 2020 WIN for KC Women's Sports Awards Celebration

KANSAS CITY, MO (January 22, 2019) – Due to unforeseen circumstances, **two-time WNBA MVP** (2015, 2019) **Elena Delle Donne** is no longer able to attend The 2020 <u>WIN for KC Women's Sports Awards Celebration</u> presented by Burns & McDonnell on Friday, February 7.

We are pleased to announce that **three-time Olympian** & **12-time Olympic Medalist** <u>Natalie Coughlin</u> will appear as the featured guest at the event.

Coughlin is the all-time record holder for most Olympic medals (12) among American women (tied with Jenny Thompson and Dara Torres). She was the most decorated female athlete of both the 2008 Beijing Games (6 medals) AND the 2004 Athens Games (5 medals). Coughlin is the first woman in Olympic history to win back-to-back gold medals in the 100m backstroke. She has captured an Olympic medal in every event she's entered (2004, 2008, 2012) and is the most decorated female swimmer in World Championships history.

Coughlin has been an ambassador for DAM-Cancer since its inception in 2008 and she serves as a ZeroHunger ambassador for World FoodProgram USA. She is an avid believer in maintaining an active and healthy lifestyle and has created a cookbook, *Cook to Thrive: Recipes to Fuel Body &Soul*, using recipes from her family's kitchen and world travels.



KCTV5 Sports Anchor, Dani Welniak, will emcee the event.

Natalie Coughlin will be available for media interviews beginning promptly at 10am on Friday, February 7. Please contact Katherine Fox via <u>email</u> or phone at 816-389-4189 to schedule.

About WIN for KC

The Women's Intersport Network for Kansas City (WIN for KC), was established in 1994 under the umbrella of the Greater Kansas City Sports Commission, with the mission to ignite girls and women through advocating and promoting the lifetime value of sports and fitness, while providing opportunities for participation and leadership development. WIN is a volunteer, membership-driven organization that operates as a program of the Kansas City Sports Commission and Foundation. For more information, visit <u>WINforKC.org</u>. For the latest on WIN for KC news, follow on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.



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