NBA Record-Breaking Athlete and Referee Honored for Success on and off the Court —TORONTO, Feb. 2, 2016

ALL-STAR BREAKFAST CELEBRATES CHARACTER, LEADERSHIP AND FAITH IN 2016 AWARD WINNERS

Whether by scoring three-pointers or fairly officiating a game, former NBA player Dell Curry and award-winning referee Dick Bavetta have illuminated the importance of excellence and character in the game of basketball and beyond. On Feb. 13, the 11th annual *All-Star Breakfast*, hosted by international sports ministry Athletes in Action, will celebrate the impact Curry and Bavetta have made in basketball and all arenas of life.

During the breakfast, Athletes in Action will present Bavetta with the **2016** *Jerry Colangelo Award*, for character and leadership on and off the court. Bavetta officiated a record of 2,635 consecutive regular season NBA games and was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. Off the court, Bavetta continues to inspire and established a scholarship program that provides parochial high school scholarships for minority students, and he regularly speaks at schools and youth groups emphasizing education, respect and spirituality.

The *All-Star Breakfast* will also present **former Charlotte Hornets' point leader** Curry with the **2016** *Bobby Jones Award*. Curry retired after a 16-year career as the Charlotte Hornets' all-time leader in points (9,839) and three-point field goals made (929). Off the court, Curry has made a positive impact in the Charlotte community and established a charitable foundation to provide educational training to youth in the area.

When: Sat, Feb. 13, from 9 to 11 a.m.

Where: Sheraton Centre, Toronto, Ontario

The 2016 All-Star Breakfast is open to media and interviews will be available. Credentials may be obtained at the door. On-site media contact: Dave Lower, 513.659.9181.

For questions about the event, call 800.416.9473 or visit $\underline{AllStarBreakfast.com}$.

The *All-Star Breakfast* is a part of Athletes in Action's series of events designed to honor athletes and coaches who model exemplary character, values, integrity and faith. Other events include the *Super Bowl Breakfast*, the *Legends of the Hardwood Breakfast* (held annually during Final Four weekend) and the *Night of Champions* dinner. For more information about Athletes in Action, visit <u>AthletesinAction.org</u>.