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## **Tickets On-Sale July 1st for Basketball Hall of Fame Revival Series Featuring Tennessee Lady Vols and UConn Huskies**

*Portion of Proceeds to Benefit the Pat Summitt Foundation, Women's Basketball Hall of Fame and Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame*

**SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (June 23, 2020)** – The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame announced today details of the Hall of Fame Revival Series featuring the Tennessee Lady Vols and the UConn Huskies. Widely regarded as the two most successful programs in women's basketball history, the teams consistently met from 1995-2007, but did not face each other again until year one of the Revival Series in January 2020. A donation of \$10,000 was made to the Pat Summitt Foundation in year one.

"The Revival Series is a tremendous celebration of women's basketball, featuring two of the most storied programs in college hoops," said John L. Doleva, President and CEO of the Basketball Hall of Fame. "We're proud to continue the Revival Series with Tennessee and UConn, creating a fantastic environment for fans while generating funds for charitable causes."

In year two of the two-year series, Tennessee will host UConn on Thursday, January 21, 2021, at Thompson-Boling Arena in Knoxville. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Pat Summitt Foundation, the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame and the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. The game will be televised and supported by the ESPN family of networks.

The highly anticipated Tennessee-UConn game will be included in the 2020-21 UT season ticket package and also included as a part of the Lady Vol Pass. Lady Vol Pass holders receive a ticket to every home game and select their seat from remaining inventory 48 hours prior to tip-off. Season tickets and the Lady Vol Pass go on sale at AllVols.com on July 1, 2020. Following season ticket sales, remaining Tennessee-UConn game inventory will be made available for purchase this fall.

As the health and safety of the athletes, fans and staff is of the utmost importance, the Basketball Hall of Fame will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation closely in the coming months and provide updates as needed.

### **Quotes from Head Coaches**

"It was a very meaningful experience for us to be involved with this event last season, and we look forward to hosting the game on The Summitt in 2021. I am pleased that our players will have a chance to once again take part in a game like this and that our fans will have an opportunity to show their support for our program as well as the Pat Summitt Foundation, Women's Basketball Hall of Fame and the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. I know our Lady Vol fans will step up in a big way." -- Kellie Harper, Tennessee

“Last year’s renewed rivalry against Tennessee was a great success. It was a great game and a fantastic atmosphere, and I think college basketball fans were excited to see UConn and Tennessee back on the court. I expect nothing less when we travel to Knoxville this season. I’m sure the fans in Rocky Top have missed me.” – Geno Auriemma, UConn

#### **About Pat Summitt Foundation:**

The Pat Summitt Foundation, a fund of East Tennessee Foundation, was established by Pat and Tyler Summitt in November 2011. Its mission is to award grants to non-profit organizations that advance research for treatment and a cure, provide support for patients and caregivers, and educate the public about Alzheimer’s disease. In 2015, The Pat Summitt Foundation formed a strategic partnership with The University of Tennessee Medical Center to create The Pat Summitt Clinic. The clinic, which opened in January 2017, greatly improves access to healthcare services for families and patients facing Alzheimer’s disease in a facility created to advance Alzheimer’s research, detection, treatment, and family caregiver support. To learn more, please visit [www.patsummitt.org](http://www.patsummitt.org), like the foundation on facebook.com/patsummittfoundation, and follow it on Twitter and Instagram @webackpat.

#### **About the Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame:**

The mission of the Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame is to “Honor the Past, Celebrate the Present and Promote the Future” of women’s basketball. The Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame, located in Knoxville, Tennessee, opened in June 1999. The WBHOF is an independent, non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization dedicated to preserving the history, celebrating the present and promoting the future of women’s basketball at all levels, both domestically and internationally. Over 170 men and women who have had a significant impact on women’s basketball as players, coaches, officials, and administrators have been inducted into the Hall. The Hall has 32,000 square feet of artifacts and interactive exhibits chronicling the history of the women’s basketball. For more information on the Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame, visit [www.wbhof.com](http://www.wbhof.com), follow on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @wbhof or call 1-865-633-9000.

#### **About the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame:**

Located in Springfield, Massachusetts, the city where basketball was born, the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame is an independent non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to promoting, preserving and celebrating the game of basketball at every level – men and women, amateur and professional players, coaches and contributors, both domestically and internationally. The Hall of Fame museum is home to more than 400 inductees and over 40,000 square feet of basketball history. Nearly 200,000 people visit the Hall of Fame museum each year to learn about the game, experience the interactive exhibits and test their skills on the Jerry Colangelo "Court of Dreams." Best known for its annual marquee Enshrinement Ceremony honoring the game’s elite, the Hall of Fame also operates over 70 high school and collegiate competitions annually throughout the country and abroad. For more information on the Basketball Hall of Fame organization, its museum and events, visit [www.hoophall.com](http://www.hoophall.com), follow @hoophall #HOFRevival or call 1-877-4HOOPLA.

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