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ABC OWNED TELEVISION STATIONS, THE MARKET LEADER IN LOCAL NEWS,
ANNOUNCE ITS NEW 24/7 LIVE AND LOCAL STREAMING CHANNELS, ADDING
THOUSANDS OF HOURS OF NEWS FROM ITS EIGHT OWNED STATIONS IN NEW YORK,
LOS ANGELES, PHILADELPHIA, CHICAGO, HOUSTON, SAN FRANCISCO, RALEIGHDURHAM AND FRESNO

Viewers Can Stream Award-winning Local Newscasts, Breaking News,
Weather, Premium Content, ABC's Localish and More Across the Station
Group's Websites, Mobile and Connected TV Apps on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon
Fire TV, Android TV

ABC Owned Television Stations, the No. 1 market leader in news, announced today its new 24/7 live and local streaming channels. The new streaming channels are an extension of the most-watched and trusted owned stations' ABC7 New York, ABC7 Los Angeles, 6abc Philadelphia, ABC7 Chicago, ABC13 Houston, ABC7 Bay Area (San Francisco), ABC11 Raleigh-Durham and ABC30 Fresno. The streaming channels feature 24/7 local news coverage, breaking news, weather forecasts, feel-good stories from ABC's award-winning "Localish," and exclusive premium content available free on their websites and streaming channels.

"We are the trusted market leader in local news on linear, digital and social media, with stations that are the most watched in their regions, and I am incredibly pleased to offer the communities we serve their favorite local news at their fingertips 24/7," said Chad Matthews, president, ABC Owned Television Stations. "We pride ourselves on listening to our audiences and delivering what they want in the most well-thought-out and impactful way. The launch of our 24/7 live and local streaming channels answers the call of our audiences who want more options and ways to view their favorite news and shows. The streaming experience our audiences will have is solely due to the incredible teams across our station group who worked tirelessly to deliver a streaming channel network we can now proudly share."

Viewers will now have access to award-winning newscasts, stories and content. ABC Owned Television Stations' newscasts and content have received numerous awards including Emmy® Awards in key categories of Overall News Excellence, Overall Station Excellence, Best Newscast, and awarded by the prestigious Edward R. Murrow awards in

both the regional and national categories for Overall Excellence, Best Newscast and Best News Documentary. Viewers will now be able to stream popular content such as mysteries and true-crime documentaries like "Unsolved" and "Texas True Crime"; exclusive award-winning content such as "Our America" series, "Eyewitness to a Pandemic" and "Localish"; and station-produced local documentaries that carry national appeal such as "Being Blago," "JFK Unsolved," "No Good Deed," "Killer High," the upcoming "Stolen: A \$3,000,000 Violin," and many others.

ABC Owned Television Stations' 24/7 streaming channels include the following:

ABC7 New York launched with a 6:30 p.m. newscast, anchored by Bill Ritter and Sade Baderinwa, and the premiere of "Inside Rikers," an Eyewitness News Investigation. The 24/7 news programming will also include live breaking news, weather and the tri-state's favorite segments, such as "Newsmakers," "The Vault" and "Weather or Not with Lee Goldberg."

ABC7 Los Angeles launched its 24/7 stream with a new weekday newscast, Eyewitness News at 7:00 a.m. with the ABC7 morning team of Leslie Sykes, Brandi Hitt, Leslie Lopez and Brianna Ruffalo covering weather, breaking and local news live. Viewers can stream exclusive premium content, hyperlocal reporting from community journalists and Hollywood content through the award-winning entertainment brand, "On The Red Carpet."

ABC7 Chicago launched its 24/7 streaming with two new, original weekday newscasts available to stream. ABC7's Tanja Babich, Terrell Brown and Val Warner anchor a new 7:00 a.m. newscast along with Roz Varon and Tracy Butler. Cheryl Burton and Rob Elgas will anchor a new 7:00 p.m. newscast. ABC7 Chicago will also debut "STOLEN: The Unsolved Theft of a \$3,000,000 Violin," a true-crime documentary exclusively on the 24/7 stream starting Wednesday, Feb. 2.

<u>6ABC Philadelphia</u> launched its 24/7 stream with a new weekday newscast hour that begins streaming at 7:00 a.m. and includes the premiere of "The Rush," a segment anchored by Action News' Matt O'Donnell, Tamala Edwards and meteorologist Karen Rogers. At 7:30 a.m., viewers can stream "Brighter News," a lighter news format with feelgood stories that give viewers a sunny outlook on the day ahead.

ABC7 Bay Area (San Francisco) launched its 24/7 streaming platform with the all-new "ABC7@7," an hourlong newscast each weekday featuring the ABC7 Mornings team. Kumasi Aaron, Reggie Aqui, Jobina Fortson and meteorologist Drew Tuma bring viewers more live, more local and more news for building a better Bay Area.

ABC13 Houston launched 24/7 streaming in its market with 17 additional hours of live and local news weekly. Houston's market leader now streams 4:30-9:00 a.m. every weekday

with the premiere of Eyewitness News at 8:00 a.m. with Jonathan Bruce. The station will also debut its daily Eyewitness News at 9:00 p.m. Viewers can also stream the successful hit series "Unsolved" and "Texas True Crime."

ABC11 North Carolina (Raleigh-Durham) is the first station to launch 24/7 streaming in its market. The station expands its live news coverage with the addition of a weekday 7:00-8:00 a.m. newscast anchored by Barbara Gibbs and John Clark. The stream will also showcase high-impact content from the ABC11 First Alert Weather Team, I-Team, Troubleshooter, and the Race and Culture teams.

ABC30 Central California (Fresno) is the first station to launch 24/7 streaming in the Central California market. ABC30 expanded its streaming local news by adding a 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. newscast featuring Landon Burke, Amanda Venegas and Madeline Evans for the morning show, and Warren Armstrong, Margot Kim and Kevin Musso for the evening show.

ABC's <u>Localish</u>, the multiplatform lifestyle network that showcases feel-good content highlighting inspiring people and places in America is available on all eight websites, streaming channels and connected TV apps.

Users can access all eight streams from any ABC-owned station connected TV app, regardless of the market.

"We love the idea that a viewer is now connected to all our top stations through any of our station streaming apps." said Matthews. "For example, you might stream from the ABC7 Los Angeles app but have interest or ties to Philadelphia and want to stream their content; you can seamlessly watch the 6abc Philadelphia 24/7 stream from the ABC7 Los Angeles app and stay tuned to what's happening in the Philadelphia market. You are connected to all of our top stations through any app you choose to stream – greater access to our award-winning content and incredible storytelling – another example of how we are creatively serving our communities."

About ABC Owned Television Stations

Disney Media Entertainment & Distribution's eight owned ABC stations are multiplatform leaders in local news and information. Collectively No. 1 across all U.S. television, reaching 23% of households and more than 34 million Total Viewers and 62 million digital visitors a month, the eight stations are comprised of WABC-TV New York, KABC-TV Los Angeles, WLS-TV Chicago, WPVI-TV Philadelphia, KGO-TV San Francisco, KTRK-TV Houston, WTVD-TV Raleigh-Durham and KFSN-TV Fresno. The stations also deliver locally sourced storytelling to more than 17 million viewers across America through its multiplatform lifestyle network, Localish. In 2020, the stations received five Broadcast & Cable awards,

including in the 2020 Best in Local TV Awards category as Station Group of the Year for its innovative and next-generation news reporting, and in the major market category for 2020: Best News Coverage, Best Digital Multiplatform or Website, Best Investigative Reporting Station Group and Best Public Affairs Programming, illustrating the Group's strength and ever-increasing growth and reach in the multiplatform space.

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