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In what would have been unthinkable 12 months ago, the NCVF regretfully announces cancellation of the 2021 NCVF Championships.

The NCVF appreciates the collaboration by Minneapolis, local hotels and our housing partner Team Travel Source, NCVF Recognized League Commissioners, student leaders, and others who played helpful roles in this difficult decision-making process. After evaluating input and options, restrictions in Minnesota and elsewhere make producing our event both logistically and financially prohibitive. This conclusion takes into account the many school, local, state, and federal guidelines that impact collegiate club volleyball activities. Currently, only 35 out of over 550 clubs across the country have indicated that they could potentially travel to Minneapolis. In sum, the public health risks and wide-based restrictions imposed by the pandemic have left no viable or responsible choice except to cancel the 2021 NCVF Championships.

We are of course heartbroken to have to make this announcement - for our students and for all of our supporters whose annual efforts create one of the most magical experiences in sport. We also recognize that the loss of a volleyball tournament pales in comparison to the loss and struggles that so many families are suffering from the pandemic and related circumstances. As such, we challenge our teams to overcome this temporary disappointment by being a light for others and taking concrete actions in support of those most in need.

This spring we will continue to celebrate collegiate club volleyball in a variety of ways, including the 2021 NCVF Virtual Championships with a spotlight on club philanthropic efforts and ways to support local communities. We join NCVF Recognized Leagues in urging clubs to remain engaged this season, as permitted by school policies, and continue your unrivalled leadership and support for the game as best and safely as you can.

Looking forward to seeing everyone back on the court next season, the 2022 NCVF Championship is already being planned, and it's going to be hot! Stay safe and stay tuned for more!