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U.S. SOCCER ENVOY MARY HARVEY IN THUNDER BAY

Thunder Bay, Canada – As part of the U.S. Department of State's Sports United Envoy Program, the U.S. Mission in Canada is programming two Olympian female soccer envoys across Canada in June as part of a mission-wide sports engagement strategy in relation to the upcoming FIFA Women's World Cup (June 6- July 5, 2015), the Pan Am Games (July 10-26, 2015), and the Parapan Am Games (August 7-15, 2015). This Soccer Envoy program will provide life and sports skills for indigenous girls, newcomers, and other underserved communities within Canada. The athletes selected for Mission Canada are Lori Lindsey, who will travel to Vancouver (June 16-18) and Yellowknife (June 18-21), and Mary Harvey, who will be in Thunder Bay (June 21-24), Sudbury (June 25), and Montreal (June 26).

Mary Harvey is a retired American soccer goalkeeper and Hall of Famer for U.S. Soccer, U.S. Olympic Committee, and at her alma mater, Cal Berkley. She was the starting goalie for 1991 U.S. Women's National Team, which won the inaugural 1991 FIFA Women's World Cup; and a member of the 1996 Olympic Gold Medal team. During her visit to Thunder Bay on June 21-24, Harvey will give soccer clinics for indigenous girls with the support of Thunder Bay Chill and Northwest Soccer, participate in National Aboriginal Day programming, and visit the Whitesands First Nation in conjunction with [Lakehead University's Reach Up!](#) Program. Media are invited to join Soccer Envoy Mary Harvey on her tour for a reporting tour including brief interview on-site and photo opportunities:

- June 21 -- National Aboriginal Day Programming at (4:00 PM, Fort William, First Nation, MT. McKay).
- June 22 -- Presentations to students at local schools, universities and clinics at: Ogden Community Public School (11:00 AM, 600 McKenzie Street); Lakehead University Aboriginal Education Fair (12:30 PM, 955 Oliver Rd.); Girls Field Clinic (3:00 PM, 535 Chapples Dr.). U.S. Consul General Jim Dickmeyer will also join Mary Harvey during her activities on this day.
- June 23 – Presentations at school and award ceremonies: McKellar Park School (11:00 AM, 301 N. Archibald St.), Sherbrooke Public School (1:15 PM, 110 Sherbrooke Street), Awards Ceremony at the Chapples Soccer Field (7:30 PM, 535 Chapples Dr.).
- June 24 -- School presentation and a soccer clinic in conjunction with Reach Up students at Armstrong Elementary School (10:30 AM, Box 98, Armstrong, ON).

For inquiries about Thunder Bay programming and soccer clinics, please contact Heather Collins, Program Coordinator for the [Aboriginal Sports and Wellness Council of Ontario](#) (ASWCO), at heather.collins@aswco.ca. For media-related inquiries and more details on the schedule, please contact: Madina Turdieva, Media Specialist for U.S. Consulate General Toronto, at TurdievaM@state.gov.
