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Port of Palm Beach Welcomes *The World* on Saturday

Riviera Beach, Florida – December 1, 2017 – The largest private residential ship on the planet, *The World* is scheduled to arrive at the Port of Palm Beach at 7:00 am on Saturday, December 2, 2017. As the first vessel of its kind where people could travel the globe without leaving home, *The World* affords its resident owners the ultimate onboard lifestyle with impeccable service, high-end facilities, and luxurious amenities.

The World continuously circumnavigates the planet, allowing its residents to awake in a new port to explore every few days. With just 165 individual homes, the vessel boasts one of the most exclusive lifestyles imaginable. Not only do residents own their individual homes, but collectively, they own the ship. Residents cruise for as long as they wish, averaging three to four months on board per year.

In 2017, *The World* will sail approximately 44,000 nautical miles, visiting more than 100 ports of call in more than 20 countries. Its captains and residents determine the ship's yearly itinerary based on the best sea routes and the residents' personal preferences.

"We are proud and thrilled to once again welcome *The World* to the Port of Palm Beach," said Blair J. Ciklin, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for the Port of Palm Beach District. "Thanks to the captains and residents onboard who selected Palm Beach County as one of the destinations on their expedition around the globe, our economy will experience a positive impact this weekend."

Constructed in Rissa, Norway beginning in May 2000, *The World* set sail in March 2002 from Oslo with its inaugural Residents on board. An environmentally-friendly ship, *The World* is the first ship of its size burning marine diesel oil rather than heavy bunker fuel. *The World* is also the first ship to feature the Scanship wastewater cleaning system, filtering waste by means of a flotation system. At 644.2 feet in length with a beam of 97.8 feet, the 43,188-ton ship is a floating 12-deck city with an ambience much like that of a private yacht or exclusive country club.

The World is set to depart from the Port of Palm Beach just before midnight on Saturday and will journey north to Port Canaveral.

About Port of Palm Beach

Located in Riviera Beach, the Port of Palm Beach is a full-service, diversified port, offering cruise and cargo services to more than 30 onsite tenants and users. At 162 acres, the Port's efficiency is unparalleled, processing more than \$7 billion in commodities, 2.5 million tons of cargo, and 500,000 cruise passengers annually. As one of the largest employers in Palm Beach County, the Port of Palm Beach and its tenants employ more than 2,850 people. Through the contribution of more than \$185 million in business revenue and \$17.5 million in tenant-contributed state and local annual tax revenue, the Port of Palm Beach is one of the largest economic engines in South Florida. For more information, visit www.portofpalmbeach.com.

About The World

Launched in 2002, *The World*® is the largest privately owned, residential yacht on earth with 165 luxury Residences. A diverse group of Residents from 19 countries own the homes onboard and share interests in world cultures, history and adventure, and exploring fascinating destinations. They circumnavigate the globe every two to three years following an extraordinary itinerary that they select. In-depth expeditions and one-of-a-kind experiences are complemented by world-class amenities and impeccable service. To learn more about *The World*'s unique lifestyle, call (954) 538-8449 or visit www.aboardtheworld.com.