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COMING HOME – ROYAL CARIBBEAN SETS RETURN TO ST. THOMAS

Cruise Line's Ongoing Commitment to the Caribbean Starts With Visits to St. Thomas On November 10 and Spearheads Restoration of Famed Magens Bay

MIAMI, Oct. 16, 2017 – A sweet reunion is in sight; <u>Royal Caribbean International</u> has set the date for its much-awaited return to St. Thomas since the Caribbean destination was impacted by the hurricanes last month. On Nov. 10, the cruise line will make its way to St. Thomas for the first time since early September with *Adventure of the Seas*.

In partnership with the government of the U.S. Virgin Islands, Royal Caribbean also has committed to undertaking the complete restoration of Magens Bay, one of St. Thomas' most popular tourist attractions – with plans for a grand re-opening of the pristine destination during *Adventure of the Seas*' visit on Nov. 10. With power and water to the island fully restored and most downtown shops, restaurants and bars and tour operators fully operational, guests will be able to experience a diverse and extensive array of dining, shopping and activities. Guests can enjoy boat and catamaran excursions to explore the turquoise blue waters and abundant sea life of the Caribbean and soak in the sun at some of the region's best beach destinations: Secret Sands Beach, Secret Harbor Beach Club, Lindquist Beach, Abi Beach and Honeymoon Beach on Water Island.

"We are very excited to get back home to our friends in St. Thomas. The Caribbean is our family, having cruised there for nearly 50 years, and the long-standing relationships created in all this time are unwavering," said Michael Bayley, President and CEO, Royal Caribbean International. "We are committed to doing everything we can to help and proud to support the restoration of the iconic Magens Bay."

In addition to returning to St. Thomas on Nov. 10, Royal Caribbean has committed to returning to San Juan, Puerto Rico and St. Maarten by the end of November and is working closely with local governments to announce the exact dates.

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By December 1, all scheduled calls to the three islands will operate as planned – including calls from the world's largest cruise ships each sailing with nearly 6,000 new visitors each week – *Oasis of the Seas, Allure of the Seas* and *Harmony of the Seas.* For more information on Royal Caribbean's newly updated Caribbean itineraries, visit RoyalCaribbean.com

Royal Caribbean International is an award-winning global cruise brand with a 48-year legacy of innovation and introducing industry "firsts" never before seen at sea. The cruise line features an expansive and unmatched array of features and amenities only found on Royal Caribbean including, jaw-dropping, Broadway-style entertainment and industry-acclaimed programming that appeals to families and adventurous vacationers alike. On board, guests are catered to with the cruise line's world-renowned friendly and engaging service by every staff and crew member. Royal Caribbean has been voted "Best Cruise Line Overall" for 14 consecutive years in the *Travel Weekly* Readers Choice Awards.

The cruise line sails 24 of the world's most innovative cruise ships to the most popular destinations in Bermuda and the Caribbean, Europe, Canada and New England, Alaska, South America, Asia, and Australia and New Zealand. Media can stay up-to-date by following <u>@RoyalCaribPR</u> on Twitter, and visiting <u>RoyalCaribbeanPressCenter.com</u>. For additional information or to make reservations, vacationers should call their travel agent; visit <u>RoyalCaribbean.com</u>; or call (800) ROYAL-CARIBBEAN.

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