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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**THON Cancels All Fundraising that Requires Out-of-Town Travel for the  
Remainder of the THON 2019 Year**

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (Nov. 9, 2018) -- THON has cancelled all fundraising practices that require out-of-town travel for the remainder of the THON 2019 year. This decision was made in consultation with The Pennsylvania State University following travel concerns raised over the past several years and after three car accidents this year while on fundraising trips.

“The safety of our volunteers remains THON’s top priority. We will continue working closely with the University and THON Community to make decisions that are in the best interest of THON and our volunteers,” said Kelly McCready, Executive Director for THON 2019.

For any further questions, please contact the THON 2019 Public Relations Director, Maddy Hughes, at [public.relations@thon.org](mailto:public.relations@thon.org)

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About THON™:

THON is the world’s largest student-run philanthropy, engaging more than 16,500 students in the fight against childhood cancer. THON’s yearlong fundraising and awareness campaign culminates in a 46-hour no-sitting, no-sleeping dance marathon every February. Since 1977, THON has donated more than \$157 million to our sole beneficiary, Four Diamonds at Penn State Children’s Hospital, funding comprehensive care and critical research.