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**The Bicycle Casino welcomes the World Series of Poker Circuit to Los Angeles** *Be a part of the elite March 6<sup>th</sup> through April 5<sup>th</sup>. Twelve events, twelve rings to win!* 

BELL GARDENS, CA—The World Series of Poker Circuit (WSOPC) is coming to Los Angeles March 6<sup>th</sup> through April 5<sup>th</sup>. The circuit event will take place at The Bicycle Casino, which will serve as its official and only stop in the Los Angeles area.

The WSOPC event, along with The Bicycle Casino's very own Winnin' o' the Green and Mega Millions IX, will boast over \$2,500,000 in guarantees. There is a wide range of tournament formats including turbo events, deepstack events, bounty events, & 6-handed events. Buy-ins range from \$120 to \$5,300 depending on guarantees and game type.

The WSOP Circuit Main Event takes place March 15<sup>th</sup> through March 17<sup>th</sup> and features a \$1,000,000 guarantee. Each player starts with 20,000 tournament chips for the \$1,675 buy-in. The Main Event winner receives the diamond-encrusted Championship ring, as well as a seat into the World Series of Poker National Championship in Atlantic City, where they will be televised on ESPN competing for \$1,000,000 of prize money and a coveted WSOP championship bracelet. One additional seat into the WSOP National Championship is also up for the taking to the Circuit Champion.

The Bicycle Casino has hosted WSOP Circuit for three years. Open 24 hours year-round, the casino features one of the country's largest poker rooms, 175 tables, three unique bars and original cuisine. Along with the WSOPC, The Bicycle Casino holds other major tournaments including World Poker Tour/ Legends of Poker, Mega Millions Series, Deepstack Series and The Card Player Tour Series. These large-scale tournaments attract top poker pros, celebrities, and amateurs alike, in their search for the best tournament action around Los Angeles.

"We're thrilled to continue our partnership and host the WSOP Circuit again this year," said The Bicycle Casino Managing Partner and CEO, Hashem Minaiy. "We like how it draws in both expert and new players. Our tournaments with modest buy-ins and large guarantees offer players of all skill levels something they can play."

For details on tournament events, please call The Bicycle Casino Welcome Center at (562) 806-4646 ext. 545 or check out the website at <u>www.thebike.com</u>. For press inquiries please contact Julianna Smith, Director of Marketing, at jsmith@thebike.com or (562) 806-4646 ext. 580.

The Bicycle Casino - Located just minutes from Downtown Los Angeles off the 710 Fwy and Florence Exit, The Bicycle Casino – an upscale first-class property – has served as one of the nation's premier gaming facilities since opening its doors in November 1984. The Casino's spacious, 100,000 square-foot Las Vegas-style gaming facility plays host to more than 3,000 visitors daily, seven days a week. Open 24 hours, the Casino's elegantly styled facility provides over 125 tables of the most popular poker games, such as Hold'em, 7-Card Stud, Omaha, and Mexican Poker. In addition to poker, the Casino displays 50 tables of Asian card games that include Blackjack, Baccarat, Three Card Poker, Pai Gow Poker, Ultimate Texas Hold'em and Pai Gow Tiles. What's more, the Casino features some of the largest poker tournaments in Southern California with the World Series of Poker Circuit Event, Legends of Poker, and World Poker Tour, being just a few of the extraordinary events held each year. The Casino's luxurious amenities include a spectacular entertainment & event center as well as a 24-hour Welcome Desk, massage service, gift shop, café & deli, Starbucks Coffee, an exclusive VIP gaming lounge, smoking atrium and valet parking. For more information about The Bicycle Casino, please call (562) 806-4646 or visit our website at www.thebike.com. Like us on facebook.com/BicycleCasino and follow us on twitter.com/BicycleCasino.