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A Healthier America in 2019: Life Time Releases Lifestyle Survey Results Ahead of the New Year

Nation's premier healthy lifestyle company surveyed individuals in 35 cities to uncover trends, habits and health needs as millions commit to positive health

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 28, 2018 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- We hear it every year—the biggest resolution for the coming year is to lose weight. But how about for 2019? Results from a new survey conducted by Life Time, the premier healthy lifestyle brand, reveal that more than half of respondents are committed to improving overall well-being and mental health as the top pick for the New Year.

Overall results from the survey point to a nationwide desire to focus on health and wellness as Life Time prepares to host its seventh annual Commitment Day on January 1 in honor of a healthier 2019. Conducted through Life Time's membership database, the survey polled more than 1,300 participants from age 18 to 55+ on health- and fitness-related topics ranging from what makes members feel healthy, happy and stressed to preferred workout styles and activities.

Highlights of the survey results include:

- **63% of respondents noted that family time makes them the most happy**, followed by 57% saying exercise and or yoga brings them the most happiness day to day. Who knew but sex and eating average 23% and 22% respectively on the happy scale.
- 76% percent of respondents added that regular exercise makes them feel the healthiest, with 48% noting that eating healthy food makes them feel healthy. 26% responded that a balanced home and work schedule is what makes them feel the healthiest.
- 94% of respondents noted a person should workout 3 or more times a week to be healthy with 56% responding four or more times. This is a staggering contrast to recent findings by the <u>Center for</u> <u>Disease Control</u>, which found that less than 23% of Americans get the recommended exercise weekly.
- 50% of respondents noted that work caused them the most stress, followed by 35% noting family, 30% noting finances and 22% noting the political climate. When it came to stress relief, 46% noted cardio relieves the most stress for them, with group fitness and yoga somewhat tied at 36% and 34% respectively.
- Losing 10 pounds? 28% of respondents said they would give up their smartphone while 17% said they would ditch work and 13% adding they would give up sex.
- The most likely New Year's resolution of respondents? 57% noted a desire to improve overall well-being and mental health versus 46% of respondents who would like to lose weight/eat better.

The results mark a shift from past New Year's where losing weight and eating better have repeatedly taken the top spot. As we enter 2019, the focus on overall wellness, including prioritizing family and general well-being and mental health will be our top priority on the heels of a year that has been stressful for many.

Life Time first launched Commitment Day on January 1, 2013, as a nationwide movement to inspire and encourage positive change. Since then, hundreds of thousands have participated in making a commitment to better their health, communities and selves.

Commitment Day 2019 events will be held at all 141 destinations in the United States and Canada with complimentary group fitness, indoor cycle and yoga classes, in addition to a 5k at participating locations. Participants will have access to all Life Time programs and amenities including health and wellness experts, cardio and weight equipment, indoor aquatic centers, basketball courts, LifeCafe, LifeSpa, and even tennis, racquetball and squash courts at select clubs.

About Life Time[®] - Healthy Way of Life

Life Time champions a healthy and happy life for its members across 141 destinations in 29 states and 39 major markets in the U.S. and Canada. As the premier healthy lifestyle brand, Life Time provides a comprehensive healthy living, healthy aging and healthy entertainment experience throughout its athletic lifestyle resorts that goes well beyond fitness to encompass the entire spectrum of daily life for individuals, couples and families of all ages. More information is available at www.lifetime.life.

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