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## Annual Tennis Jamboree Returns to Emporia/Greensville County

**Charlottesville, Virginia (11/4/2022)** – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is thrilled to report the Slammer Tennis World Jamboree recently returned to the City of Emporia after a two-year COVID timeout. The annual Jamboree is a creation of Marvin Tyler, PTR-certified tennis professional and an Emporia native, who splits his time between Connecticut and Florida but has never forgotten his roots. He loves his hometown, and it shows. This was the 5th year of the event.

After four years at the Greenville High School courts, this year the Jamboree was held for the first time on the courts at the Community Youth Center (CYC) where Marvin learned to play tennis as a kid. Several years ago, Marvin saw the CYC courts needed a major overhaul, and he was determined to get it done. He personally raised the funds from private donors and in-kind contributions to renovate the courts. In recognition of Marvin's efforts, the courts were fittingly named after him.



Marvin pictured at far left above and below with his resolution, and on the newly renovated courts.



For his good works, Marvin was awarded a resolution of appreciation by the City of Emporia. Marvin was previously recognized by the city for being the first-ever certified tennis teaching professional from Emporia.

QCV QuickStart Coordinator Lynda Harrill says, "Marvin is a ball of fire. His passion for tennis and helping kids is unmatched by anyone I've ever known. He exemplifies the best in a teaching professional with his determination to make tennis available to as many kids as he can. That determination was on full display with the renovation of the courts at the Community Youth Center. The kids in Emporia are so fortunate to have someone like Marvin in their corner."

*Want to be a great adult?  
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Be a QuickStart kid!*

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QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia is an all-volunteer, grassroots Community Tennis Association established in 2009 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to promote, develop and grow QuickStart Tennis in the heart of Virginia for all beginners, especially underserved youth, using the kid-sized QuickStart Tennis format. QCV's service area includes, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Campbell, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greensville, Halifax, Henry, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway, Orange, Patrick Pennsylvania, Prince Edward, Powhatan and Rappahannock counties and the cities of Charlottesville, Danville and Martinsville, plus under a special arrangement, King George County. We currently serve 214 schools with 101,000 kids, 15 parks & recreation departments, three Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCAs, in 31 Virginia counties and independent cities. We have also gotten tennis into PE classes in 37 additional schools with 16,000 students in Virginia communities outside our service area.

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