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# MEDIA RELEASE

## 2022 CIF-SS-FORD DIVISION 1 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TO BE PLAYED AT ROSE BOWL

LOS ALAMITOS – The CIF Southern Section is excited to announce that the 2022 CIF-SS-Ford Division 1 Football Championship will be played at the historic Rose Bowl in Pasadena this November.

This will mark the first-time in 78 years that the Rose Bowl has played host to a CIF-SS championship event.

The game will be played Friday, November 25 and kickoff for this game will be at 7:30 p.m. The game will be televised live by Bally Sports West/SoCal.

The playing of this championship will coincide with the 100th anniversary of the Rose Bowl, the announcement of the inaugural California High School Football Hall of Fame class and the unveiling of that Hall of Fame facility at the Rose Bowl Stadium.

“We are excited to partner with the historical national landmark that is the Rose Bowl this November,” stated CIF-SS Commissioner of Athletics Rob Wigod. “We look forward to bringing the very best high school football in the country to Pasadena and ‘America’s Stadium’ to help celebrate the 100th Anniversary of this iconic venue.”

The Rose Bowl Stadium is the proud home of the Tournament of Roses Rose Bowl Game®, UCLA Bruins football, AmericaFest Fourth of July Celebration, concerts including Kenny Chesney, Coldplay, Taylor Swift and U2, international and Premier League soccer matches and the World’s Largest Flea Market.

“The Rose Bowl Stadium has been a foundational destination for so many iconic football moments for a century,” said Darryl Dunn, Rose Bowl Stadium General Manager and Chief Executive Officer. “We are beyond excited to celebrate the CIF-Southern Section, their student-athletes and coaches in late November to add to that legacy.”

A National Historic Landmark built in 1922 and known around the world, the Rose Bowl Stadium has earned its world-class reputation by hosting five NFL Super Bowl games, the 1984 Olympic Soccer matches, the 1994 Men’s World Cup, the 1999 Women’s World Cup, four BCS National College Football Championship Games and the College Football Playoff Semi-Final game.

The Rose Bowl has hosted three CIF-SS championship football games during its 100 year history. The Rose Bowl was the site for the 1935 and 1936 championships. The last time this verable stadium witnessed a CIF-SS Championship game was in 1944. Head Coach Eddie Wagner and his undefeted Mark Keppel Aztecs, defeated the Pasadena Junior College (Lower Division) Lancers, 19-13 to finish the season 8-0.

This championship will be the 107th football championship to be played in the CIF-SS in the organizations 109 years. Games were not contested in 1914 due to World War I and in 2020 due to COVID.

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