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LIFE UNIVERSITY MEN'S RUGBY WINS THIRD NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN SIX YEARS WITH 60-5 TRIUMPH OVER THE CALIFORNIA GOLDEN BEARS

Santa Clara, California, May 5, 2018 – The Life University (LIFE) Running Eagles Men's Rugby team completed an undefeated (17-0) 2018 season with a 60-5 victory over the California Golden Bears on Saturday, May 5. This is LIFE's third USA Rugby D1A National Championship in the last six years.

LIFE used a strong defensive effort, two tries from left wing Harley Wheeler (Jr.) and excellent footwork from Duncan Van Schalkwyk (Jr.) to get out to a 29-5 halftime lead in the match. More excellent defense and a completed hat trick by Wheeler were plenty enough for the Running Eagles to keep their momentum and close out any hopes for a Golden Bears comeback.

"We came out here and really attacked Cal, started strong and finished the game strong," said co-captain Mitch Wilson (Jr.) when asked what was key to the Running Eagles National Championship victory. "This started way back in September of 2017 when we started our fall season against Penn State, and it built from there through the spring season and all the way up to today."

The National Championship match was hosted at the stadium of Santa Clara University and broadcast live on the CBS Sports Network. LIFE's two other National Championships came in the 2013 and 2016 seasons with victories over St. Mary's College.

About Life University

Founded in Marietta, Georgia in 1974, Life University is a health sciences institution most known for its chiropractic program, the largest single campus chiropractic program in the world. Life University is regionally accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award baccalaureate, master's and Doctor of Chiropractic degrees, and also has programmatic accreditation through the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE), the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) and the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). The mission of Life University is to empower students with the education, skills and values necessary for career success and life fulfillment, based on a vitalistic philosophy.

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