

## Commonwealth of Kentucky Public Protection Cabinet

## **Kentucky Horse Racing Commission**

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## Update from the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission, Board of Stewards

**Lexington, Ky. (May 4, 2023) --** The following are statements from officials of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission and the Board of Stewards.

## From Board of Stewards:

For the betterment of racing, the health and welfare of our equine athletes, and the safety of our jockeys, all horses trained by trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr. are scratched effective immediately and until further notice. This action is taken after consultation with Mr. Joseph and includes Lord Miles who was entered into the 149th running of the Kentucky Derby.

Joint statement from Ray Perry, Secretary of the Public Protection Cabinet and Jonathan Rabinowitz, Chairman of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission: Kentucky is committed to being the global leader in safety and integrity of horse

racing. We fully support the stewards' actions today to ensure the safety of our equine

and human athletes while an investigation is ongoing into the unusual circumstances surrounding these tragic fatalities.

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