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RYAN PALMER
HAROLD VARNER III (-17)

Q. Here with Ryan Palmer and HV3 we've been calling you all day long on the broadcast. That final putt, you got a nice read. What exactly did you see to get that last one to go in?

HAROLD VARNER III: I mean, he almost made it, so I just tried to hit it close to where he hit it, just a little firmer, and lucky enough for it to go in.

Q. You guys had a heck of a round, but five and 16, what happened there? Nothing but birdies but those two. Maybe you would like to have those ones back?

RYAN PALMER: Yeah we're going to go back and talk about those two holes. We had a little mental lapse. We brought it back hard. I told Harold take 17 off, hitting driver, 5-wood and making the putts.

No, I was fortunate enough to hit some good putts that didn't go in and he just rolled them right in. The putts he made, I'm curious how many feet of putts he made today, which was pretty good. We hit a lot of close ones, too.

HAROLD VARNER III: There you go, we hit it close.

RYAN PALMER: Yeah, we both hit it good and I had a fun day.

Q. I like the chemistry here. We actually pinned you guys to be one of the groups that would have a target on your back. You had about a month of not touching a golf club. I know you moved into a new house, but how nice and valuable is that mental break?

HAROLD VARNER III: I like playing golf, but the best thing that happened was when I got here, Ryan was like, "I want to have a chance to win," and I'm like, "All right, bro. I haven't touched a club in a while." So it worked out, but we're here to have a good time. It's for a great cause and I just was fortunate enough to make a lot of putts today and he got me in there close.

Q. Alternate shot tomorrow, which is arguably the most difficult portion of this format. How are you guys going to sort that out?

RYAN PALMER: Hopefully we'll both hit good tee shots and then go from there, but the way he's putting and the confidence I have in my iron play, I think that will be the idea of

looking at it. Hit a lot of good iron shots, put the putter in his hand. So I don't think we're going to have to worry about who's hitting what and putting. We'll go out and do the same thing and hopefully keep going.