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# comScore Reports September North American Box Office on Track to Hit a New All-Time Record

## September 2017 positioned to reach \$700 million milestone for the first time ever at North American Box Office

RESTON, Va., Sept. 28, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- comScore today announced North American box office revenues are on track to surpass the \$700 million mark by month's end - the highest ever grossing North American box office total for the month of September, besting September 2015's \$616.4 million North American total by 14 percent.

Powered largely by the record-breaking success of the Warner Bros.' horror flick "It," along with an assortment of additional high-earning September releases (including Fox's "Kingsman: The Golden Circle," Lionsgate's "American Assassin," Warner Bros.' "Lego Ninjago Movie" and Open Road's "Home Again") and August holdovers, September 2017 brought moviegoers to the multiplex in unprecedented numbers and set a new standard for earnings potential for the month. Notably, this is also the first September to surpass a traditional summer blockbuster month (May through August) in terms of total revenue.

"Hollywood now has a new box office benchmark for September, while also surpassing the totals for the summer month of August this year," said comScore's Senior Media Analyst, Paul Dergarabedian. "The big screen adaptation of Stephen King's 'It' started a movie-going gold rush uncommon for this typically sleepy month that was bolstered by a unique and compelling slate of titles that sparked an exceptional level of enthusiasm by patrons who flocked to North America's movie theaters."

Below is a chart of historical performance for the month of September at the North American box office:

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Full Month Of September	September Total	% Change	Top Film's Earnings For The Month
2017	\$700,000,000 - Estimated	19.1%	It - \$272.2M (as of 9-27-17)
2016	\$587,973,841	-4.6%	Sully - \$99.5M
2015	\$616,408,358	19.0%	Hotel Transylvania 2 - \$55.75M
2014	\$517,931,337	-9.5%	The Maze Runner - \$60.175M
2013	\$572,197,239	0.6%	Insidious Chapter 2 - \$60.7M
2012	\$568,578,707	-5.9%	Hotel Transylvania - \$42.5M
2011	\$604,242,053	10.9%	The Lion King - \$71.9M
2010	\$544,788,416	-0.2%	The Town - \$54.3M
2009	\$545,766,563	10.7%	Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs - \$64.7N
2008	\$492,912,164	-10.2%	Burn After Reading - \$46.64M
2007	\$549,189,927	3.6%	Halloween - \$45.3M
2006	\$530,047,099	3.0%	Jackass Number Two - \$48.01M
2005	\$514,704,128		Exorcism of Emily Rose - \$65.5M

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