**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Lima Expresa ambassador Jovana de La Cruz qualifies
for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games**

* **Jovana de la Cruz will participate to her third Olympic Games next summer in Paris**
* **Commitment and performance at the heart of Lima Expresa’s partnership with Jovana de la Cruz since 2021**

Lima Expresa, subsidiary of VINCI Highways, is proud to congratulate Jovana de la Cruz, Peruvian long-distance runner and ambassador of Lima Expresa, who qualified to the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games by reaching fifth position last week in the Houston Marathon. In Paris 2024, Jovana de la Cruz will participate to her third Olympic Games, after competing in Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020. Her qualification expands the Peruvian delegation to Paris 2024, which already includes, among other prominent athletes. Gladys Tejeda, Christian Pacheco, Kimberly García and Evelyn Inga, who is also a Lima Expresa ambassador since 2023.

Lima Expresa has been supporting Jovana de la Cruz since 2021, inspired by the parallels between her athletic journey and Lima Expresa’s mission to serve drivers at best standards 24/7 in the heart of Peru’s capital city. As an ambassador of Lima Expresa, Jovana de la Cruz has been regularly sharing her experiences with Lima Expresa’s employees, focusing on the shared mindset towards commitment and performance.

Jovana de la Cruz declared: “*I am very happy to bring this joy to my country, to my family, to everyone who is part of national athletics and long-distance running. I want to thank those who trust me, notably Lima Expresa, which since 2021 has provided me with sustained support”.*

Raúl Díaz, CEO of Lima Expresa, declared: “*Jovana de la Cruz, like Evelyn Inga, whom we also support, provide great inspiration to Lima Expresa teams, who perform high-level highway operations in Lima. Keeping our highways in perfect conditions and achieving performance every day to the benefit of our drivers strongly relates with the commitment and dedication of the athletes we support. The Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games will be a moment of pride for Lima Expresa as we will watch Jovana de la Cruz embodying these principles that are at the heart of our mission”.*

**About Lima Expresa**

Lima Expresa, subsidiary of VINCI Highways, is the operator of 16 km of the Vía de Evitamiento, from the Javier Prado cloverleaf to the Habich Roundabout, and 9 km of the Línea Amarilla expressway located between the Huáscar Bridge and the border with Callao province on Morales Duárez Ave. Committed to achieve VINCI Highways’ high standards in Peru, Lima Expresa became the first-ever highway concession in the country to deploy EV charging, solar panels and forest carbon sinks. Lima Expresa has already reduced its direct CO2 emissions by 43 % since 2018.

**About VINCI Highways**

VINCI Highways, a VINCI Concessions subsidiary, is a leader in road concessions, operations and mobility services. We design, finance, build and operate highways, bridges, tunnels, urban roads and mobility services on a 3,130 km network in 14 countries. VINCI Highways leverages its expertise to deliver the highest performance and safety standards and provide drivers with a positive experience.

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