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<u>A's Place LHP Dallas Braden On 15-Day Disabled List;</u> <u>Recall OF Aaron Cunningham From Triple-A Sacramento</u>

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's have placed left-handed pitcher Dallas Braden on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to August 1 with a rash on his left foot, the club announced today. To take his spot on the roster, the A's have recalled outfielder Aaron Cunningham from Triple-A Sacramento.

Braden is 8-9 with a 3.89 ERA in 22 starts for the A's this year. He missed his last scheduled start on Wednesday against Texas and has not pitched since July 31 against Toronto. The 25-year old left-hander is currently tied for eighth in the American League in games started and has the third lowest ratio of home runs per nine innings with nine in 136.2 innings (0.59). Braden is 1-2 with a 7.40 ERA in four starts since the All-Star Break after going 7-7 with a 3.12 ERA in 18 starts before the break.

Cunningham joins the A's for the third time this year and is batting .152 with a home run and six RBI in 16 games with Oakland. He went 1 for 13 (.077) in five games during his first stint from May 15 to 20 and then batted .182 with a home run and five RBI in 11 games during his second stay from May 30 to June 11. The 23-year old right-handed hitter was batting .300 with nine home runs and 42 RBI in 65 games with Sacramento, including .307 with six home runs and 31 RBI in 51 games following his last option on June 12. Cunningham appeared in 27 games in left field, 25 in right field and five in center field for the River Cats.

The complete statistics for Cunningham with Oakland and Sacramento follow:

	AVG	G	AB	R	н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
OAKLAND	.152	16	46	6	7	2	0	1	6	3	15	0	0	.261	.220
Sacramento	.300	65	260	47	78	19	1	9	42	26	58	9	4	.485	.369

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