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DENVER SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR ITS ANNUAL GALA

Event to feature Jamie Dimon, Chairman and CEO of JPMorgan Chase

Denver, Co –Denver Scholarship Foundation has announced that Jamie Dimon, Chairman and CEO of JPMorgan Chase, will headline its Annual Gala, on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency Denver at the Colorado Convention Center. An exclusive VIP event will begin at 4:30 p.m. at J.P. Morgan Private Bank followed by a general event cocktail reception at the Hyatt beginning at 5:30 p.m. The dinner and the program will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Presented by JPMorgan Chase, DaVita, and Mike and Patty Starzer, the evening will feature an armchair conversation with Jamie Dimon, hosted by local executive, Kent Thiry, the CEO of DaVita. Dimon is the Chairman and CEO of JPMorgan Chase, the largest bank in the United States by assets, and is widely regarded as one of the most successful and influential business leaders in the world. The interactive discussion will center on the critical role of higher education, including technical and career training, as the path toward an educated workforce and economic growth for Denver and Colorado.

“We need to invest in our young people and arm them with the specific work skills and broader education they need to be productive and achieve meaningful employment,” Dimon said. “The Denver Scholarship Foundation supports high-quality career-focused education programs that are giving individuals a shot at a good job and real economic opportunity.”

Denver Scholarship Foundation’s Chief Executive Officer, Nathaniel Easley, commented, “We are very excited and appreciative for this opportunity to shine a spotlight on the challenges that drive our mission. Jamie Dimon knows that we can improve long-range employment outcomes for young people by improving access to higher education. I think our local community will be very inspired by his insights.”

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Denver Scholarship Foundation's Annual Gala has raised millions of dollars to make college possible for thousands of students in Denver Public Schools. Along with the featured speakers, the evening's program will also highlight the inspirational stories of several of the organization's Scholars.

Jayne Ford, a member of Denver Scholarship Foundation's Board of Directors, and an active community volunteer, is chairing the event for the second consecutive year.

All proceeds from the gala will benefit the Denver Scholarship Foundation and its mission to inspire and empower Denver Public Schools students to achieve their college and career dreams. Since 2007, Denver Scholarship Foundation has awarded nearly \$33 million in scholarships to more than 5,600 Denver Public Schools students.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities and ticket availability please call 303.951.4140, email events@denverscholarship.org, or visit www.denverscholarship.org.

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About the Denver Scholarship Foundation

Denver Scholarship Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public charity whose mission is to inspire and empower Denver Public School students to achieve their postsecondary goals. A direct service provider, Denver Scholarship provides college and financial aid advice to Denver students and families and offers a renewable, need-based scholarship to support Scholars throughout their college careers. Denver Scholarship also partners with colleges across Colorado to implement retention strategies that help Denver students complete their postsecondary education. Denver Scholarship aims to create systemic change to prepare Denver's youth to succeed in today's evolving workforce.