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**Lone Star Flight Museum to Host “Moonstruck: 2019 Blue Skies Gala”
and Recognize Aerospace Greats on Saturday, May 18, 2019, at The Revaire**

HOUSTON, Texas (March 6, 2019) – The Lone Star Flight Museum, with support from a dedicated team of board members and volunteers, will host *Moonstruck: 2019 Blue Skies Gala* on Saturday night, May 18, starting at 6:30 p.m. The museum’s fourth annual gala will be held at The Revaire by A Fare Extraordinaire, located at 7122 Old Katy Road in Houston.

Khambrel Marshall, KPRC TV Channel 2 meteorologist and host of “Houston Newsmakers,” will serve as Master of Ceremonies. Revered Houstonian and philanthropist Margaret Alkek Williams will serve as honorary gala chair, Janine Iannarelli, founder and president of business aircraft brokerage firm Par Avion Ltd., and Ralph and Bette Thomas, board members of The Lone Star Flight Museum, are serving as gala co-chairs. Supporting them is a Host Committee composed of more than 60 Houston area business and community leaders.

Lieutenant General Doug Owens (retired), president and chief executive officer of The Lone Star Flight Museum, announced that gala attendees will celebrate the Apollo program during this 50th anniversary year of the moon landing, honor a notable business aviation pioneer, Universal Weather and Aviation for its innovative contributions to the science of flight and remember President George H.W. Bush, a member of the Texas Aviation Hall of Fame and a generous supporter of the museum’s mission.

Guests at the black-tie event will enjoy cocktails, dinner and dancing to music of the Richard Brown Orchestra. Exciting and unique items will be offered in silent and live auctions, the proceeds from which will support the Museum’s mission to celebrate flight and achievements in Texas aviation while promoting STEM education. Underwriting is available from the \$1,500 to \$100,000 levels. Individual tickets are available for \$500 per person.

“Moonstruck provides an opportunity for Houston philanthropic and business leaders to learn more about this innovative new museum and the opportunity it provides to use the wonders of flight to engage and educate young people in science, technology, engineering, and math,” commented co-chair Janine Iannarelli.

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For more information about tickets and underwriting opportunities, please visit www.lonestarflight.org/blueskiesgala or contact the museum's development associate Marissa Trevino at 346-352-7678 or Marissa.Trevino@lonestarflight.org.

To learn more about the honorees, please visit these web sites: www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/apollo/missions/index.html; www.universalweather.com; and www.history.navy.mil/research/histories/biographies-list/bios-b/bush-george-h-w.html

About the Lone Star Flight Museum

The Lone Star Flight Museum (LSFM) is a 501c3 aviation museum and STEM learning center with a mission to celebrate flight and achievements in Texas aviation as well as educate and engage our youth through science, technology, engineering and math. In addition to the Texas Aviation Hall of Fame, the 130,000 square foot museum is home to a flying collection of rare and historic commercial, general aviation and military aircraft. Guests can experience the wonder of flight in a warbird ride and get hands-on in the high-tech Aviation Learning Center and Flight Academy. Multiple public and STEM-focused education programs create an unforgettable museum experience for visitors of all ages. Located at Ellington Field, just 20 minutes from downtown Houston, LSFM is open Tuesday-Sunday. Tickets start at \$9.95 with senior and military discounts. For details, visit lonestarflight.org or call 346-708-2517, and follow us on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube.

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