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Area Leaders Convene for Leadership Summit

Arlington, VA - On Friday, February 8, 2019, more than 200 leaders from the DC Metro Area and beyond attended the fourth annual Leadership Summit at the Falls Church Marriott, Fairview Park. Leadership Summit is hosted by Leadership Center for Excellence in partnership with Leadership Arlington, Leadership Greater Washington, Leadership Fairfax, Leadership Loudoun and Leadership Prince William.

"When hundreds of leaders are connected under one roof, they inspire and enlighten each other to build a stronger community," said Elaine Turville, Managing Director of Accenture Federal Services, member of the Leadership Center for Excellence Board of Regents and graduate of the Leadership Arlington Class of 2014, "Our goal with the Summit is to assemble great minds with innovative ideas to make that inspiration happen each year."

Leadership Summit is a transformative, one-day conference for leaders, entrepreneurs, activists and other innovators. The Summit offered 16 workshops focused on a range of topics including Artificial Intelligence, Storytelling, Facilitation Skills and Diversity and Allyship.

Emma-Kate Swann and Bob Rosen, co-authors of the book "Conscious, the Power of Awareness in Business and Life" and Steve Case, co-founder of America Online, shared their thinking through two keynote addresses focused on leadership and entrepreneurship in today's world.

When asked about our nation's most pressing leadership challenges, Case discussed the issues regarding economic inequality, highlighting venture capital flow in particular. "Did you know that only 1 percent of all venture capital comes to Virginia? And despite the population sizes of Texas and Florida, they account for about 3 percent each. The majority of capital goes to New York, California and Massachusetts. We need to invest in the creative pursuits that are happening in cities and towns across the nation." He also shared his views on topics related to technology, ethics and entrepreneurship.

Leadership Summit sponsors included Accenture, Chain Bridge Bank, Graham Holdings, Virginia Hospital Center Foundation, Advon Real Estate, Beacon Capital Partners, EagleBank, FVCbank, Gartner, Keller Williams Metro Center and Lockton.

The 5th Annual Leadership Summit will be held April 3, 2020.

About Leadership Center for Excellence

Leadership Center for Excellence is a Northern Virginia-based nonprofit organization providing leadership programs and events that enlighten, inspire and connect leaders through community

building and leadership development. For more information, visit leadercenter.org or call 703-528-2522.

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