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Empowering Families and Honoring Leaders

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SALT LAKE CITY, UT – January 27, 2024 – Where can you find a live eagle, dance performances, paleontology labs, Utah Legislators, and excited families experiencing the museum for the first time? At The Children's Museum Legislature Day! Discovery Gateway Children's Museum's annual Legislature Day takes place on January 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in their downtown Salt Lake City facility.

This annual event serves as a platform to acknowledge the invaluable support of state legislators in supporting access to science resources for children in Utah. Through the Informal Science Education Enhancement (ISEE) initiative, nonprofits such as Discovery Gateway Children's Museum provide field trips and the outreach education program. Outreach educators travel to teach Kindergarten and 5th-grade students across Utah an introduction to physics and chemistry through the Potential Energy and Reaction Time Programs. These outreach educators diligently visit and educate every elementary school across Utah on a rotating 3-year basis, ensuring every school has science accessibility.

"Utah is unique in providing this important support to students within the schools to help ignite their understanding and passion for science. We are honored to host our legislators and their families on this special day at the museum," states Kathleen Bodenlos, The Children's Museum CEO.

In addition to hosting the state legislators, the museum also opens its doors on this day to children and families that The Children's Museum Inclusion Fund supports. This fund ensures that children and their caregivers who do not have the resources to visit are supported with admission at no charge to them. The Children's Museum fundraising accomplishes this by providing tickets and summer camp scholarships to twelve other nonprofit organizations that help underserved children in our community.

Bodenlos continues, "Our goal for our Museum Inclusion Fund is to ensure that The Children's Museum is enjoyed by all children in our community. We strive to feed their curiosity and inspire

learning in a unique environment created specifically for children to safely explore and learn through play”.

Individuals interested in donating to the Museum Inclusion Fund can learn more at the Support Page on the Discovery Gateway Children’s Museum website.

About Discovery Gateway Children’s Museum

Discovery Gateway Children’s Museum is in downtown Salt Lake City at 444 West 100 South and is a contemporary discovery center offering 60,000 square feet of interactive, hands-on fun. The engaging workshops, programs, and exhibits invite the whole family to create, learn, and play together. It is the mission of Discovery Gateway to inspire children of all ages and abilities to imagine, discover, and connect with their world to make a difference. For information, please call (801) 456-5437 ext. 142, or visit us at www.DiscoveryGateway.org.