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### RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION AND INSTITUTE AND GE ANNOUNCE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

#### **20 students receive \$10,000 a year for up to four years in scholarship program**

SIMI VALLEY, CA- July 7, 2016 - The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute and GE announced this week the 20 students who were awarded the GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship. This scholarship program, which just completed its sixth year, awards students who embody the vision and values personified by President Reagan, including leadership, drive, integrity and citizenship. Each student will receive \$10,000 a year, for up to four years, to be applied to student tuition and on-campus room and board while the recipient is pursuing a bachelor's degree at an accredited U.S. college or university.

“This year’s applicants and scholarship recipients are a remarkable group of young adults,” said John Heubusch, executive director of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute. “These extraordinary young leaders are determined and inspiring – with a strong dedication to their communities. We are proud to award college scholarships in President Reagan’s name to these future leaders of tomorrow.”

GE Chairman and CEO Jeff Immelt said, “Congratulations to the recipients of the GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship. These are young leaders who are making a difference in their communities. We are proud to support them as they enter the next chapter of their academic journey.”

More than 13,000 completed applications were received and reviewed from students across the United States. An extensive selection process evaluated the following attributes of each candidate:

- **Leadership**- Scholars pursue leadership roles that have a positive impact in communities and showcase the value of lifelong learning.
- **Drive**- Firm believers “that our best days are ahead”scholars, have the conviction, ambition, discipline and courage to make their dreams reality.
- **Integrity**- Rooted in values and ethics, scholars possess the unique combination of integrity, dependability and humility that defined President Reagan’s leadership.
- **Citizenship**- Scholars are driven by a sense of civic commitment and actively engage in their communities to affect positive change.

The 2016 GE Reagan Foundation Scholarship recipients are:

Zachary Ahmed	Galveston, TX	University of California: Berkeley
Austin James Arenz	Sheboygan Falls, WI	Michigan Technological University
Jonah Emory Benning-Shorb	Grinnell, IA	University of Chicago
Brock L. Drevlow	Thief River Falls, MN	Johns Hopkins University: Peabody Conservatory of Music
John Benjamin Hancock	Ocilla, GA	Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
Angelica Joy-Stacey Harris	Harvey, LA	Washington University in St. Louis
Jordan Lopez	El Paso, TX	University of Texas at Austin
Christine McDow	Wilmington, NC	Middlebury College
Luz G. Memije	Lake Elsinore, CA	University of California: Berkeley
Tulcy P. Patel	Mesa, AZ	Arizona State University
Paxton Wade Peacock	Newton, AL	Auburn University
Rae Peterson	Lexington, MI	University of Pennsylvania
Anastasia Pyrinis	Thousand Oaks, CA	University of California: Berkeley
Sofia Rebecca Ramirez	Austin, TX	Lehigh University
Shivraj Sandhu	Wilson, NC	Princeton University
Natasha Takahashi	Irvine, CA	University of Southern California
Nathaniel John Thoreson	Fargo, ND	North Dakota State University
Margaret Grace Wickerson	Englewood, FL	Rice University
Kayla Marie Wilson	Copperas Cove, TX	Baylor University
Jade Wong	Rowland Heights, CA	University of California: Berkeley

Information about the 2017 GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program will be available online in the fall.

With a total \$15 million grant, GE was the presenting sponsor of the Ronald Reagan Centennial Celebration, a year-long celebration for the President's 100th birthday in 2011. As part of this partnership, \$5 million was committed to establish this national college scholarship program. The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation is contributing \$3 million to the program.

**About Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute:**

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the legacy of Ronald Reagan and his timeless principles of individual liberty, economic opportunity, global democracy, and national pride. It sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, the Reagan Institute, the Reagan Center for Public Affairs, the Walter and Leonore Annenberg Presidential Learning Center and The Air Force One Pavilion. Located in Simi Valley, California the Library houses 63 million pages of Gubernatorial, Presidential and personal papers and over 60,000 gifts and artifacts chronicling the lives of Ronald and Nancy Reagan. It now also serves as the final resting place of President and Mrs. Reagan. [www.reaganfoundation.org](http://www.reaganfoundation.org)

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