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PRESS RELEASE

Horatio Alger Association Honors 13 New Members and 106 National Scholars at its 69th Annual Awards Induction Ceremonies in Washington, D.C.

WASHINGTON, D.C. (April 5, 2016) – Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc., a nonprofit educational organization honoring the achievements of outstanding individuals and encouraging youth to pursue their dreams through higher education, hosted its 69th Horatio Alger Awards Induction Ceremonies in Washington, D.C. this past weekend, March 31 – April 2.

As part of the annual three-day celebration, the Association inducted the new Member Class of 2016, which features 13 exceptional business, civic and philanthropic leaders, all of whom have demonstrated a strong work ethic, honesty and determination in their pursuit of personal and professional success. Events during the weekend included formal induction ceremonies at the United States Supreme Court and DAR Constitution Hall and numerous activities lauding the Association's 13 new Members and 106 National Scholars selected from across the United States.

Since the establishment of its scholarship program in 1984, Horatio Alger Association has afforded more than 22,000 students the opportunity to pursue a college education. In 2016 alone, the Association will award more than \$12 million in need-based scholarships to more than 2,000 deserving, at-risk youth. Among these remarkable high school students, 106 received the Horatio Alger National Scholarship, which is valued at \$22,000. These exceptional students –acknowledged for their unwavering commitment to continuing their education and serving their communities despite facing incredible hardships – were recognized at the Awards and interacted with Horatio Alger Members, many of whom will serve as mentors as the Scholars enter college.

“The Horatio Alger Awards remind us all of how vital the American Dream remains to this day,” said Tony Novelly, chairman of Horatio Alger Association. “As Members and Scholars – all having been recognized for their perseverance, determination and excellence – come together to share their inspiring stories of success, I am both humbled and grateful to be part of such an important organization. Undoubtedly, our new Members and National Scholars will continue to represent that best of Horatio Alger Association for years to come.”

Members – like Scholars – have also faced adversities, displaying incomparable resiliency in overcoming life challenges to achieve success. As part of the Association’s mission, Members actively support and encourage today’s youth in an effort to build the next generation of American leaders. More crucially, Members, with Life Partners and Friends of the Association, fully fund its scholarship programs.

For more information about Horatio Alger Association, please visit www.horatioalger.org. To engage on social media, please “Like” the organization on Facebook (www.facebook.com/HoratioAlgerUS).

To view the complete list of Horatio Alger Members selected for the Class of 2016, please visit [here](#).

To view the complete list of 2016 Horatio Alger National Scholarship recipients, please visit [here](#).

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About Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans:

Founded in 1947, the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc. is dedicated to the simple but powerful belief that hard work, honesty and determination can conquer all obstacles. The Association honors the achievements of outstanding leaders who have accomplished remarkable successes in spite of adversity by bestowing upon them the Horatio Alger Award and inducting them as lifetime Members. Horatio Alger Members support promising young people with the resources and confidence needed to overcome adversity in pursuit of their dreams through higher education. Through the generosity of its Members and friends, the Association awards more than \$12 million annually in undergraduate and graduate need-based scholarships across the United States and Canada and provides college support and mentoring services to its Scholars. Since 1984, the Association has awarded more than \$125 million in college scholarships to more than 22,000 deserving young people. For more information, please visit www.horatioalger.org.