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The Arc of Northern Virginia Recognizes Booz Allen Hamilton and Evolver for their Commitment to Employing Persons with Disabilities

Falls Church, Va.-- The Arc of Northern Virginia recognized Booz Allen Hamilton and Evolver for demonstrating exceptional dedication to providing employment opportunities to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities at its “A Motown Experience” Gala held on Saturday, October 22, 2016 at the Hilton McLean Tysons Corner.

Steve Escaravage, Vice President of Innovation, accepted the award on behalf of Booz Allen Hamilton for employing people with disabilities in their workforce. Booz Allen Hamilton’s Chairman Dr. Ralph Shrader previously stated, “Work provides more than a paycheck. It brings dignity and community. When businesses open job opportunities to men and women with disabilities, everyone benefits – the individual, the company, and society at large.”

Anne Aakre, Vice President, accepted on behalf of Evolver for their diversity and inclusion initiatives that build an understanding and awareness about the ways that differences add value to their workforce and the work they do.

Peggy Fox of WUSA Channel 9 News was the Celebrity Master of Ceremonies for the Gala.

At the Gala, The Arc of Northern Virginia introduced a new component of its comprehensive outreach campaign to help increase awareness about the resources that are available through the organization to help people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families throughout the entire life span. The Arc of Northern Virginia will soon launch an online digital marketing campaign and a brand new Public Service Announcement (PSA).

The Arc of Northern Virginia is the leading advocacy organization for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, serving and representing over 34,000 families in Arlington County, Fairfax County and the Cities of Alexandria, Falls Church and Fairfax. More information on The Arc of Northern Virginia can be found at www.thearcofnova.org.

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Additional Photos are available.

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Delegate Mark Keam and David Egan



J.D. Cox Auctioneer and gala guests