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**THE BRONX HIGH SCHOOL OF SCIENCE
CELEBRATES 75 YEARS WITH GALA EVENT**

“TRANSFORMING LIVES FOR 75 YEARS”

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(New York, NY – March 20, 2013) – The Bronx High School of Science, one of the nation’s premier educational institutions, will celebrate its 75th anniversary with a gala hosted by the Alumni Association and the Bronx High School of Science Endowment Fund, Inc. on Saturday, April 20th, 2013 at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City. This memorable evening, featuring a reception, dinner and a variety of speakers, including notable alumnus Jon Favreau, will ensure that the very curriculum that makes Bronx Science a world-recognized model for gifted kids in the public-school system is well funded for years to come.

The evening, which is being co-chaired by Peter Klein ’83, Leonard Lauder ’50, Richard Menschel ’52, Robert Menschel ’47 and Sajal K. Srivastava ’93, will join featured guests including Master Plan Architect of the Freedom Tower Daniel Libeskind ’65; urban revitalization strategist and 2005 MacArthur Genius Award Winner Majora Carter ’84; writer David Saperstein ’53; President and CEO of the New York Public Library Tony Marx ’77; author and recipient of the National Humanities Medal and the PEN/Saul Bellow Award for Achievement in American Fiction E.L. Doctorow ’48; actor, director and producer Jon Favreau ’84; and Apollo Program Professor of Astronautics & Professor of Health and Technology, MIT Dr. Laurence R. Young ’52.

Through the Gala, the school plans to raise awareness about Bronx Science as well as communicate the vision for the future of the institution. Additionally, they will celebrate the pride the alumni feel for the 75 years of Bronx Science tradition of excellence and achievement, while galvanizing support for current and future Bronx Science students. Lastly, the institution hopes to further a culture of giving and philanthropy among its alumni in an effort to fulfill its mission “to provide educational and social opportunities that are unique for gifted and talented students so as to prepare them for meaningful and useful roles in science and society.”

“This celebration of 75 years of academic excellence recognizes the transformational role that Bronx Science has played in the lives of over 40,000 students – young men and women who have been and will continue to be leaders of tomorrow,” said Principal Valerie J. Reidy.

Frequently cited as the most renowned high school in America, the Bronx High School of Science attracts an intellectually gifted blend of culturally, ethnically and economically diverse students from all 5 boroughs, most of whom are first-generation Americans. The only criterion for admission is an exam open to all grade-

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eligible students in New York City. Due to the exceptional curriculum of this public school, many of its programs and classes must find additional funding outside of Department of Education support. Therefore, the role of an actively involved Parents' Association, Alumni Association, and Endowment Fund is critical to its success. Scienceites, as the school's students are known, have graduated to become alumni who include eight Nobel Prize winners, the first African-American neurosurgeon, countless authors, lawyers, physicians, educators, artists, entertainers and leaders in business and government.

The Alumni Association and the Endowment Fund are committed to ensuring quality programs and facilities at Bronx Science – including state-of-the-art science labs, computer technology, library and performing arts facilities. The Bronx HS of Science Endowment Fund, Inc., established in 1992, supports the Bronx High School of Science as a model for public education in both idea and in practice, and raises funds for capital and program expenditures to benefit the students and the school today and for the future.

Tickets to the 75th Anniversary Gala start at \$500 and tables start at \$10,000. To purchase tickets or tables for the event, please visit <http://bronxscience75.com/attend.php> or contact the Bronx School of Science Benefit Office at (212) 763-8599 / bronxscience@cmevents.net.

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