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McKinley Presidential Library & Museum Announces New Director of the Hoover-Price Planetarium

Canton, Ohio... The McKinley Presidential Library & Museum is pleased to announce that Suzie Dills will become the new Director of the Hoover-Price Planetarium this September.

Dills has been on the staff of the Planetarium since 2014 and was the former Executive Director of the International Women's Air & Space Museum in Cleveland, Ohio. She has developed and implemented Science, Technology, Engineering and Math programs for Girls Scouts of North East Ohio, been instrumental in securing funds for the purchase of two state of the art observatories, and delivered astronomy and space science educational programming at Lake Erie Nature and Science Center's Walter R. Schuele Planetarium. She currently serves as President of the Board of Directors for Lorain Preparatory Academy and Monroe Preparatory Academy, serves on the Board of Directors for Cleveland Astronomical Society as Treasurer, and is a member of Cuyahoga Astronomical Association, Summit County Astronomy Club and the Cleveland Regional Association for Planetariums.

"We are thrilled that Suzie will be heading up the Hoover-Price Planetarium, especially given the breadth of her experience in astronomy education and her involvement in the northeast Ohio community," said Executive Director Kim Kenney. "Suzie will be taking over at the same time as the recent upgrade of our instruments, which is very exciting. Under her leadership, the Planetarium will continue to provide the best educational experience for visitors and students in northeast Ohio and beyond."

"I am honored and privileged to be the next Director of this wonderful Planetarium," said Dills. "I look forward to building on the legacy of the Hoover-Price Planetarium to further inspire and educate people of all ages." Dills will be taking over for David Richards, who is retiring after serving as Planetarium Director for the last two decades.

ABOUT THE HOOVER-PRICE PLANETARIUM

The Hoover-Price Planetarium continues to present "The Universe at Large" at 1:00 on Saturdays and 2:00 on Sundays. The Planetarium seats 65, and admission is included with admission to the Museum. Children must be 5 years or older to attend.

ABOUT THE MUSEUM

The McKinley Presidential Library & Museum is located at 800 McKinley Monument Dr NW in Canton. The Keller Gallery is the Museum's temporary exhibition space and features a variety of topics each year. The Museum also includes the McKinley National Memorial, McKinley Gallery, Street of Shops, The Stark County Story, Discover World, and the Hoover-Price Planetarium. The Museum is open Monday – Saturday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Sunday from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

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