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VOLKSWAGEN DONATES ROUTAN TO VIRGINIA CHILDREN'S MUSEUM TO HELP PROMOTE STEM PROGRAM

Herndon, VA (February 14, 2018) – Volkswagen of America, Inc. (VWoA) today announced they have donated a Volkswagen Routan to the Children's Science Center in Northern Virginia to help the Center continue promoting its science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) programs at local schools, museums and community events.

"Volkswagen is pleased to donate a Routan to help the Children's Science Center continue its mission of shaping the minds of youth with insightful and stimulating science, technology, engineering and math programs," said Gerhard Kiewel, a member of Volkswagen Group of America's Charitable Contributions Committee. "It is our hope that this vehicle will be a significant resource for the Center and for many children throughout Northern Virginia who have promising futures in the sciences or engineering."

The Children's Science Center is an interactive children's museum being planned for Northern Virginia focused on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Today, the organization's Museum Without Walls program provides engaging, hands-on, STEM-focused activities for children taking their programs to schools and events throughout the region. The mission: To instill a love of learning STEM in all children by providing unique opportunities to explore, create, and be inspired.

"The Children's Science Center is so grateful to Volkswagen for this mission critical gift," said Children's Science Center Executive Director Nene Spivy. "This generous donation of a Routan VW Van allows us to bring our Mobile Labs, which includes all of the equipment and supplies needed to serve 40 elementary schools this year, transforming entire gyms into

interactive hands-on learning labs that excite children about science, technology, engineering and math. This is just one example of how all of our Museum Without Walls programs are now mobilized for greater impact and reach, enabling us to serve over 15,000 visitors in the coming year."

About Volkswagen of America, Inc.

Founded in 1955, Volkswagen of America, Inc., an operating unit of Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (VWoA) is headquartered in Herndon, Virginia. It is a subsidiary of Volkswagen AG, headquartered in Wolfsburg, Germany. VWoA's operations in the United States include research and development, parts and vehicle processing, parts distribution centers, sales, marketing and service offices, financial service centers, and its state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The Volkswagen Group is one of the world's largest producers of passenger cars and Europe's largest automaker. VWoA sells the Beetle, Beetle Convertible, Eos, Golf, GTI, Jetta, Jetta SportWagen, Passat, CC, Tiguan, and Touareg vehicles through approximately 645 independent U.S. dealers. Visit Volkswagen of America online at www.vw.com or media.vw.com, or on Twitter @VWnews to learn more.

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