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New giant screen 'Apollo 11' documentary opens June 1 at Great Lakes Science Center

CLEVELAND (May 17, 2019) – Prepare to liftoff and experience one of the greatest achievements in human history as "Apollo 11: First Steps Edition" opens in the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater at Great Lakes Science Center on Saturday, June 1.

As we approach the 50th anniversary of the first lunar landing this July, the Science Center will kick off its summer-long celebration with this stunning new giant-screen formatted edition of Todd Douglas Miller's critically acclaimed Apollo 11 documentary. The DOME Theater's six-story high screen and 11,600 watts of digital sound fully capture the thrilling cinematic experience that showcases the real-life moments of humankind's first steps on the moon.

With a newly discovered trove of never-before-seen 70mm footage and audio recordings, the filmmakers show the exhilarating final moments of preparation, liftoff, landing and return of this historic mission. "Apollo 11: First Steps Edition" joins astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins, the Mission Control team and millions of spellbound spectators around the world during those momentous days and hours in 1969 when humankind took a giant leap into the future.

"Apollo 11: First Steps Edition" has a runtime of 49 minutes and will play daily at 3 p.m. for the month of June, twice daily at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in July, and daily at 3 p.m. in August. For more information about the movie, visit apollo11firststeps.com. For more information on the Science Center's 50th anniversary of the moon landing celebration, or the DOME Theater, visit GreatScience.com.

(Editor's note: The Science Center has returned to its seven-day-a-week summer operating hours. The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays.)

About Great Lakes Science Center

Great Lakes Science Center, home of the NASA Glenn Visitor Center, makes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) come alive for more than 300,000 visitors a year through hundreds of hands-on exhibits, temporary exhibitions, the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater, Steamship *William G. Mather*, daily science demonstrations, seasonal camps, and more. The Science Center is funded in part by the citizens of Cuyahoga County through Cuyahoga Arts and Culture. Visit **GreatScience.com** for more information.

