Headline:

The Inspired 24 Launches Mission to Democratize Access to Space for All

Subheadline:

Breaking Barriers: *The Inspired 24* Launches to Make Space Exploration and Travel Accessible to Everyone

Houston, TX - March 8, 2023 - *The Inspired 24*, an inclusive, growing group of likeminded, space positive people working together to promote the democratization of space, today is proud to announce their status as a 501(c)(3) non-profit. Led by President and Co-founder Andrew Parris, the organization's key Guiding Principles are:

- To help everyone have a chance to experience the Overview Effect
- To promote the democratization of space for all
- To promote inclusivity, diversity, and equality
- To motivate people to take better care of our planet
- To educate
- To inspire

The Inspired 24 began as a group of Inspiration 4 contestants from diverse backgrounds who joined together after witnessing the launch and mission of the historic, first private, all civilian orbital spaceflight in September 2021. Now the group includes two time NASA Astronaut candidate finalist Dr. Eiman Jahangir, Arerospace Engineer Joan Melendez-Misner, Environmental Engineer & Research Scientist Dr. Tracy Fanara, and Ruben Salinas.

This action-oriented organization, inspired by the trailblazing achievements of the Inspiration 4 crew, seeks to create a future where spaceflight is open to all, regardless of their background or circumstances.

To celebrate the group's announcement, members of *The Inspired 24* provided photographs of themselves to create a photo montage in the shape of the group's logo. (See below) This powerful visual statement symbolizes the group's commitment to inclusivity and diversity in space exploration.

For more information about *The Inspired 24*, to join us, or to donate, please visit <u>https://theinspired24.com</u>, or contact Andrew 'Titan' Parris at I24@TheInspired24.com.

Fast Facts:

- Motto "Inspired 2 Space 4 All!"
- The "24" in *The Inspired 24* comes from the 24 people who witnessed the launch of the Inspiration 4 mission at the Kennedy Space Center on September 15, 2021.

- The group consists of space positive people from all over the world including the US, the UK, Europe, South American and South Asia.
- Members have already taken action, such as signing up to fly on World View stratospheric balloon flights to experience the Overview Effect. (www.worldview.space)
- The group participated in the International Day of Girls and Women in Science, with member Meredith Garofalo hosting an online speech on the concept of I.D.E.A - Innovate. Demonstrate. Elevate. Advance.
- Organization's upcoming events include...
 - Astronaut training with CHaSE, a program held by the University of Arizona at Biosphere 2. (https://www.b2science.org/center-human-spaceexploration-chase)
 - Sponsorship of this year's Yuri's Night celebration at the Kennedy Space Center's Visitor Center on April 15, 2023. (https://party.yurisnight.net/spacecoast000)
 - Space Talk Panel at the 'The Galactic Diversity & Inclusion Convention' at the Philadelphia Convention Center in Philadelphia, PA May 5-7, 2023. (<u>https://dnicon.org</u> or <u>https://www.gaaaysinspaaace.org</u>)

Graphics link:

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