



Lottery Registration for the 40th Annual Empire State Building Run-Up Presented by Marmot Opens October 24, 2016

The 40th Anniversary Event is Scheduled for Wednesday, February 1, 2017

New York, NY – October 24, 2016— Empire State Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: ESRT) today announced that lottery registration for the 2017 Empire State Building Run-Up (ESBRU) Presented by Marmot will open on Monday, October 24, 2016, at 12:00 p.m. ET and close on Sunday, November 27, 2016, at 11:59 p.m. ET.

Thousands of runners from around the world will enter – all vying for a chance to race up the Empire State Building's 86 flights and 1,576 stairs. Interested runners should register online at <http://www.nycruns.com/esb>. Race entry is \$125 per applicant, and will only be charged once the applicant is informed of his or her selection as a participant. Runners who have applied to climb will be notified of their race status via email on November 30, 2016.

"The Empire State Building is the birthplace of tower running and is the model for stairclimbing races throughout the world," said Anthony E. Malkin, Chairman, and CEO of ESRT. "As we approach our 40th year, we're excited to continue this legacy of bucket-list competition."

Challenged Athletes Foundation® (CAF) is the official charity partner of the ESBRU with a designated heat in the race for challenged athletes. CAF is a world leader in helping people with physical challenges gain universal access to physical activity and sport through global grant distributions, camps, clinics, mentoring and motivation.

Bulova is the official timekeeper of the race, providing the male and female first place winners of the elite heat with Bulova watches.

The event is produced by NYCRUNS, the largest running event management company in the New York Metropolitan Area.

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About the Empire State Building

Soaring 1,454 feet above Midtown Manhattan (from base to antenna), the Empire State Building, owned by Empire State Realty Trust, Inc., is the "World's Most Famous Building." With new investments in energy efficiency, infrastructure, public areas and amenities, the Empire State Building has attracted first-rate tenants in a diverse array of industries from around the world. The skyscraper's robust broadcasting technology supports all major television and FM radio stations in the New York metropolitan market. The Empire State Building was named America's favorite building in a poll conducted by the American Institute of Architects, and the Empire State Building Observatory is one of the world's most beloved attractions as the region's #1 tourist destination. For more information on the Empire State Building, please visit www.empirestatebuilding.com, www.facebook.com/empirestatebuilding, @EmpireStateBldg, www.instagram.com/empirestatebldg, www.youtube.com/esbnyc or www.pinterest.com/empirestatebldg/.

About Empire State Realty Trust

Empire State Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: ESRT), a leading real estate investment trust (REIT), owns, manages, operates, acquires and repositions office and retail properties in Manhattan and the greater New York metropolitan area, including the Empire State Building, the world's most famous building. Headquartered in New York, New York, the Company's office and retail portfolio covers 10.1 million rentable square feet, as of June 30, 2016, consisting of 9.4 million rentable square feet in 14 office properties, including nine in Manhattan, three in Fairfield County, Connecticut and two in Westchester County, New York; and approximately 720,000 rentable square feet in the retail portfolio.

About Marmot Mountain, LLC

Marmot is an award-winning, globally distributed brand of high-performance, technical clothing, apparel, and equipment. Since 1974, Marmot products have been worn by climbers, skiers, mountaineers and adventurers world-wide. Marmot works with professional mountain guides, world-class athletes, and expeditions—pushing the limits of product innovation and technology—pioneering what is possible in the most extreme environments on earth. For more information about Marmot, please visit www.marmot.com

About the Challenged Athletes Foundation

The Challenged Athletes Foundation® (CAF) is a world leader in helping people with physical challenges lead active, healthy lifestyles. CAF believes that participation in physical activity at any level increases self-esteem, encourages independence and enhances quality of life. Since 1994, more than \$76 million has been raised and over 13,000 funding requests from people with physical challenges in all 50 states and dozens of countries have been satisfied. Additionally, CAF's outreach efforts reach another 60,000 individuals each year. Whether it's a \$2,500 grant for a handcycle, helping underwrite a carbon fiber running foot not covered by insurance, or arranging enthusiastic encouragement from a mentor who has triumphed over a similar challenge, CAF's mission is clear: give opportunities and support to those with the desire to live active, athletic lifestyles. To learn more, visit challengedathletes.org or call 858-866-0959.

About Bulova

Founded in 1875, Bulova remains one of the world's most recognized brands, with a distinguished portfolio that includes Bulova, Caravelle New York, Wittnauer watches, as well as licensed Harley-Davidson® Timepieces by Bulova watches, Frank Lloyd Wright Collection® watches and clocks, and Bulova Clocks. Bulova is headquartered in New York City, with eight International offices and distribution in 65 markets. Still at the forefront of the timekeeping industry, Bulova is committed to advancing the art of watchmaking with extraordinary design, exclusive high-performance technology and enduring quality that upholds a tradition of excellence and meets the needs of global consumers today. For more information, visit www.bulova.com.

About NYCRUNS

NYCRUNS is the largest running event management company in the New York Metropolitan Area, producing over 30 events of their own including the Brooklyn & Central Park Marathons, and providing the technical backbone for dozens of others. NYCRUNS clients include Empire State Realty Trust, Google, Citibank, The New York Jets, New York University, Columbia University, Weill Cornell, The United States Military Academy at West Point, The Brooklyn Cyclones, and many other world-class organizations.

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