

EMPIRE STATE REALTY TRUST LAUNCHES 22ND ANNUAL EMPIRE STATE BUILDING VALENTINE'S DAY WEDDINGS CONTEST

Empire State Building to Offer 14 Lucky Couples Opportunity to Say "I do" Atop the World's Most Romantic Building

New York City (November 9, 2015) – The Empire State Building announced today the launch of its 22nd Annual Valentine's Day Weddings Event, where 14 lucky couples will have the wedding ceremony of their dreams at the world-famous 86th floor Observatory. Engaged couples and those seeking to renew their vows at the World's Most Famous Building this Valentine's Day can submit their love stories via www.facebook.com/empirestatebuilding starting today, November 9, 12:00 p.m. EST through December 1, 11:59 p.m. EST.

For the last 84 years, ESB has served as the backdrop for countless on-screen love stories and is the perfect site for couples to wed. For the 22nd year, ESB's annual Valentine's Day Weddings Event is the only day of the year couples can marry where *USA Today* readers deemed America's "Best Place to Propose."

"The Empire State Building's 22nd Annual Valentine's Day Weddings Event will give 14 couples the most unique wedding experience. Not only is the Empire State Building the best place to propose, it is the best place to get married and we are thrilled to offer our Observatory on the most romantic day of the year for a uniquely unforgettable experience," said Jean-Yves Ghazi, Director of the Empire State Building Observatory.

Once again, the private ceremonies will be officiated by Mr. Ghazi, with the first ceremony beginning at 8 a.m.

ESB will once again partner with the Aruba Tourism Authority to offer one lucky couple a honeymoon to the beautiful "One Happy Island." The randomly selected-pair will receive a romantic five night / six day stay at the adults-only Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort, ranked the No. 1 hotel in the Caribbean on TripAdvisor, airfare included. Aruba will warm the newlyweds' hearts with its constant sunshine, romantic waterfront dining and adventurous activities offered along the white-sand beaches and wild, desert-like island interior.

STATE Grill and Bar, located in the lobby of the Empire State Building, will provide a VIP exclusive continental breakfast for all of the couples from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. and following the ceremony each couple will be able to enjoy the open-air, one-of-a-kind 360-degree views of New York City and beyond for photos.

Couples must be over the age of 18 and have a valid New York State marriage license at the time of the wedding ceremony in order to marry. Vow renewals can be performed if the couple is able to provide a valid New York State marriage license for review.

For complete details, please visit www.facebook.com/empirestatebuilding. For more information about Aruba Tourism Authority and STATE Grill & Bar, visit www.aruba.com and www.stategrillesb.com.

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 office building. Headquartered in New York, New York, the Company's office and retail portfolio covers 10.1 million rentable square feet, as of September 30, 2015, 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 724,000 rentable square feet in the retail portfolio.

About Aruba

As one of the most revisited destinations in the Caribbean, Aruba — One happy island — is an island of contradictions, where pristine turquoise waters collide against the desert-like terrain of the north shore; where peace and relaxation coexist with wild and rugged adventures; where Dutch influence meets American ease and where a diverse history parallels a bright future. Nestled in the southern Caribbean outside the fringes of the hurricane belt, the island is just a two-and-a-half-hour flight from Miami, a four-hour flight from New York City and boasts year-round cooling trade winds with an average 82-degree temperature. Aruba offers beach-lovers, adrenaline junkies, relaxation-seekers and everyone in between a slice of paradise with breathtaking beaches, a booming culinary scene of over 300 restaurants with 25+ located ideally on the water, world-famous festivals and events, exciting land and water activities, art galleries and museums, sumptuous spas, championship golf, exclusive shopping and signature experiences such as cooling off in Conchi, Aruba's natural pool— accessible only by foot or off-road vehicle. With all-inclusive options, boutique properties in charming Eagle Beach, high-rise branded resorts in Palm Beach and cosmopolitan city hotels in Oranjestad, the island of contradictions provides the perfect getaway for both first-time guests and loyal visitors. Visit www.aruba.com to learn more and engage with the brand at www.facebook.com/arubafans, @aruba on Twitter and @arubatourism on Instagram.

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