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Compassionate Leadership Launches Space Center Houston’s New Professional Development Program

HOUSTON, Aug. 24, 2020 – Space Center Houston launches a new leadership training and development program designed to empower people with leadership practices proven to achieve extraordinary feats. Space Center Houston’s new Human Performance Accelerator Lab offers training workshops led by astronauts, psychologists and business experts to help you be a more effective leader.

“Space has the ability to inspire and unify people,” said William T. Harris, president and CEO of Space Center Houston. “During these challenging times, we’re fulfilling a need to inspire, motivate and unlock leadership skills rooted in compassion and bring NASA leadership principals from space to the ground. Our program provides a leadership framework to ignite everyone’s human potential through virtual and immersive learning experiences.”

The first virtual workshop, Compassionate Leadership: Leading with Heart, is Aug. 27 at 2 p.m. CT. Stanford School of Business lecturer and author Leah Weiss will join former NASA astronaut Cady Coleman to discuss compassion and how having empathy for another can create a more inclusive, productive and results-driven work environment.

Participants will take part in leadership development activities and engage with NASA and industry experts to enhance their leadership competencies. Leveraging proven NASA principles, Space Center Houston’s Human Performance Accelerator Lab curriculum is designed around three tenets — how to become an explorer, strategies to take the broader view and embracing change. Participants will explore topics such as self and team care, compassion and culture management.

Space Center Houston’s Human Performance Accelerator Lab will offer a fall virtual series and is open to individuals, corporations, small businesses, nonprofits, educational institutions and government organizations. Custom programs can be designed to meet the specific needs of any company. Register at www.spacecenter.org/hpal.

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Every year, thousands of students visit the center annually to experience the educational space museum with more than 400 things to see and do. For more information, go to www.spacecenter.org.

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