Joshua Hunt Named 2018 9NEWS Leader of the Year
TRELORA Founder and CEO Recognized for Community Leadership

DENVER — Today, 9NEWS and the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation jointly announced Joshua Hunt, founder and CEO of real estate firm TRELORA, as the 2018 9NEWS Leader of the Year. The award was presented in front of more than 700 guests at Leading Colorado, an annual luncheon benefiting the Leadership Foundation’s Emerging Leaders Scholarship Fund. Hundreds of Leadership Foundation alumni cast their votes, selecting Hunt from three impressive finalists.

Hunt founded TRELORA in 2012 with a mission to create transparency in the real estate industry to better align with technological trends and consumer expectations. Both professionally and personally, he is passionate about applying innovative thinking to solving community challenges and empowering others to find their own path to success.

A champion for affordable housing and finding solutions to end homelessness, Hunt is actively engaged in conversations to address these issues and is an active board member with Habitat for Humanity of Metro Denver. He also volunteers as a mentor for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado and serves as vice chairman on the board of directors for Resource Area for Teaching (RAFT) Colorado. In these roles and inspired by his own journey, Hunt encourages young people to become successful in non-traditional ways.

“We were again awed by the work all three of our 9NEWS Leader of the Year finalists have undertaken in the community. We are excited to present Joshua Hunt with this year’s 9NEWS Leader of the Year Award,” said Leadership Foundation Executive Director Dan Lewis. “Joshua is the perfect example of someone who leads by challenging the status quo. His unique approach to life, business and community pushes everyone in Denver to strive for more.”

The 9NEWS Leader of the Year Award recognizes outstanding leaders who are inspiring the community and leading the way for change. Leadership Foundation program alumni selected the winner from three impressive finalists through an online voting process. This year’s finalists included Hunt and:

- Priya Burkett, director of business development for American Express
- Jodi Rolland, market executive of global commercial banking for Bank of America Merrill Lynch and Colorado state and Denver market president for Bank of America

As stated by Hunt, “I am humbled to receive this honor and grateful to 9NEWS and the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation for the recognition and opportunity to be a part of this program. I am also honored to be named a finalist alongside Priya Burkett and Jodi Rolland – both exceptional individuals and community leaders who inspire me. I take this honor seriously and will do my best to continue serving my community and collaborating with others to solve challenges facing our city and the great people of Denver.”
“I want to congratulate all of our finalists for the 9NEWS Leader of the Year Award. Joshua Hunt, Priya Burkett and Jodi Rolland all represent the true spirit of this award,” said Steve Carter, president and general manager of 9NEWS. “I’m also excited for this year’s winner Joshua Hunt, who has been doing so much for affordable housing and homelessness — both issues of particular importance in our city.”

Each of the finalists will receive $1,000 from the Leadership Foundation to donate to a nonprofit of their choice, benefitting Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado, the Denver Public Schools Foundation and SafeHouse Denver.

Learn more about Joshua Hunt and the other 9NEWS Leader of the Year Award finalists.

About the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation
An affiliate organization of the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce, the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation educates and inspires people who want to make a difference as leaders in the community. Building strong, diverse leaders for more than 40 years, the Leadership Foundation provides the knowledge, skills, networks and experience to inspire leaders to engage in issues critical to the region’s success through a continuum of programs, including Leadership Denver, Impact Denver, Leadership Exchange, Access Denver, the Colorado Leadership Alliance and the Leadership Foundation Alumni Network. For more information, please visit denverleadership.org.

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