Topeka, Kan. (March 2, 2020) - The Kansas Chamber announced Monday its 2020 Leadership Kansas class. Leadership Kansas is a nationally recognized program focused on developing and motivating Kansas leaders from all four corners of the state.

"The Kansas Chamber is excited to welcome the newest Leadership Kansas class. As one of the oldest and most prestigious statewide leadership programs in the country, Leadership Kansas has a long history of fostering greater awareness and understanding of statewide economic, business, and political issues. The program helps develop our state leaders to make Kansas a stronger and more vibrant business engine." said Kansas Chamber President & CEO Alan Cobb.

This year, Leadership Kansas received more than 600 nominations for the program. After a thorough and thoughtful application and selection process, the selection committee chose 40 individuals for the 2020 class. The committee and the Leadership Kansas Board of Advisors make every effort to ensure the class reflects the state in regards to geographic, ethnic, occupational, and gender diversity.

The 2020 program begins in late April with an orientation session in Lawrence and ends with graduation in October after the completion of six sessions. The cities the 2020 class will visit for this year's program
include Garden City, Overland Park, Olathe, Lenexa, Kansas City, KS, Leavenworth, Hays, Pittsburg, Hutchinson, Wichita, El Dorado, Manhattan, and Topeka.

Throughout the six-month program, the class interacts with a variety of experts and community leaders through three-day educational training sessions. The diverse discussion topics include business, education, agriculture, public policy, societal health, economic development, and government.

"Participants in the Leadership Kansas program contribute their unique backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives to the LK program. They receive once-in-a-lifetime opportunities to meet the business and government leaders of Kansas, who help them be better leaders in their businesses and communities," said Stan Rasmussen, LK Board of Advisors Chairman (Class of 2007)

Leadership Kansas has more than 1,400 alumni. Jeff "Chappie" Chapman (Class of 2012) serves as the Executive Director of the Leadership Kansas Program.

Click here to see a complete list of the 2020 Leadership Kansas class.

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The Kansas Chamber, with headquarters in Topeka, is the leading statewide pro-business advocacy group moving Kansas towards becoming the best state in America to live and work. The Chamber represents small, medium and large employers all across Kansas. The mission of the Kansas Chamber of Commerce is to continually strive to improve the economic climate for the benefit of every business and citizen and to safeguard our system of free, competitive enterprise.

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