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Georgia Association of REALTORS® Commissions Poll on Spaceport Camden UGA Research Project Finds Broad Support for Space Activities in Coastal Georgia

Kingsland, Georgia – Trey Hood, Professor of Political Science and Director of the School of Public & International Affairs Survey Research Center at the University of Georgia presented findings on coastal Georgia’s opinions on a proposed spaceport at a meeting of the Camden Roundtable today. The poll, commissioned by the Georgia REALTORS® (GAR), measured support for the project across thirteen counties in southeast Georgia.

In Camden County, support for the project was found to be nearly 2-1 in favor, with 59 percent of county residents supporting the spaceport. Additionally, 21 percent were opposed, 18 percent were neutral and two percent had no opinion. Across the 13-county region, the poll showed similar results. Support for the project was measured at 49 percent, with 29 percent opposed, 20 percent neutral and three percent having no opinion.

“REALTORS® are more than sales agents. We are engaged advocates for and leaders in our communities,” said Michael Faulkner, 2018 President of the Georgia REALTORS®. “Spaceport Camden has the potential to significantly impact the entire coastal region as well as our great state. A positive way Georgia REALTORS® could contribute to the citizens of our coastal communities was to poll their opinions on this vital economic development project and provide that data to the local decision makers. We want the voice of the residents of coastal Georgia heard in this process.” Faulkner adds, “It is very clear from this poll that local residents are excited about the prospect of excellent, high-paying jobs and the amazing educational opportunities for our children in the area when Spaceport Camden is ready to launch.”

The poll was conducted via live operator phone calls, considered the gold standard for public opinion polling. Calls were made between January 22-30, resulting in 943 responses (434 in Camden County) that were weighted for demographics. The poll has a margin of error of +/-3.2% (or +/-4.7% for Camden County alone).

The Georgia REALTORS® (also referred to as “Georgia Association of REALTORS®”) is a voluntary professional association of approximately 37,000 licensed real estate brokers and salespersons engaged in all aspects of the real estate business throughout Georgia. GAR is the leading advocate for the real estate industry in Georgia, committed to protecting private property rights and free enterprise, maintaining ethical and professional standards, and enhancing the public’s awareness and confidence in REALTORS®.