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MB REAL ESTATE RAISES AWARENESS AND FUNDS FOR YOUTH CHARITIES

CHICAGO—(Monday, June 13, 2016) – MB Real Estate Services Inc. (MBRE) sponsored and helped organize awareness and fundraising events for two youth charities, Urban Initiatives (UI) and buildOn, over the last two weeks.

UI is a Chicago-based non-profit that organizes intramural soccer programs for children within the Chicago Public School system as a means to empower underserved youth to adopt healthy lifestyles and build strong character. The Work to Play Cup, one of UI's biggest events of the year, took place on Saturday, June 4th at the Midway Plaisance and brought together more than 2,000 participants, including K-8 students and their families, volunteers, and local supporters. Christine Torres, assistant vice president of MBRE's Corporate Services and Tenant Advisory, helped coordinate the event. Also volunteering on behalf of MBRE was: Jose Bahena, Dante Capicchioni, Ashley Jordan, Elise O'Connor and Crystal Smith.

Also recently, the annual fundraiser benefitting buildOn, a non-profit that helps urban youth to break the cycle of poverty, illiteracy and low expectations through service and education, took place on the evening of May 25th at the Hilton Chicago and raised \$513,000. MBRE was an initial sponsor of buildOn's expansion into the Chicago area and, since 2004, has been actively involved in raising its profile, as well as over \$5 million of funds.

"The 2016 buildOn Dinner brought together more than 500 influential Chicago business leaders in support of this youth-focused charity," stated Kyle Robbins, vice president of Corporate Services and Tenant Advisory at MBRE. "I am proud to have participated in the planning and execution of this important event that has raised record funds and has continued to create awareness for buildOn."

Robbins led the planning effort for this year's event, serving alongside MBRE's senior vice president and general manager, Krystal Kurinsky, and senior vice president and director of Asset Management, Suzanne Hendrick. Robbins is also a member of buildOn's Board of Directors, along with MBRE's Peter Ricker, chairman & CEO, and John Murphy, vice chairman.

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Photo A: MBRE's Jose Bahena, Elise O'Connor, Ashley Jordan, Christine Torres and Dante Capicchioni volunteering at the Work to Play Cup

Photo B: MBRE's Christine Torres, Dante Capicchioni, Elise O'Connor, Jose Bahena and Ashley Jordan with the team they helped to coach at the Work to Play Cup

Photo C: Group at the buildOn dinner, including MBRE's Peter Ricker, Jim Ziolkowski, president of buildOn, board members and students

About MB Real Estate Services Inc.

Founded in 1982, MB Real Estate is a full-service real estate organization that provides multifaceted expertise in Asset/Facilities Management; Leasing Services; Project/Construction Management; Tenant Representation; and Investment Services. Headquartered in Chicago, with regional offices in New York, Atlanta and Denver, MB Real Estate provides these services to corporations, institutions, professional organizations, private investors, and non-profit agencies. For more information, please visit www.mbres.com.

About Urban Initiatives

Urban Initiatives is a nonprofit organization that runs a health and education soccer program, called the Work to Play Program, in the Chicago Public Schools (CPS). Urban Initiatives' mission is to collaborate with schools, teachers and parents to boost the physical fitness, health education, academic performance and character development of children from Chicago's underserved communities through soccer programs, field trips, and cultural outings. By actively engaging participants in our extracurricular activities at a young age, Urban Initiatives empowers youth to live a healthy lifestyle, value education, and enhance their personal and social development. Urban Initiatives takes a collaborative, whole child approach to development in order to provide children with the opportunity to reach their full potential. For more information, visit www.urbaninitiatives.org.

About buildOn

At home or abroad, buildOn's goal is to break the cycle of poverty, illiteracy and low expectations through service and education. Across the U.S., buildOn empowers urban youth to transform their neighborhoods through intensive community service and to change the world by building schools in some of the economically poorest countries in the world. Since 1991, buildOn has constructed 736 schools worldwide, with more than 95,000 children, parents and grandparents attending these schools every day. For more information, visit www.buildon.org.

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