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## **EY Announces Neil Book of JSSI Entrepreneur Of The Year® 2017 Award Finalist in the Midwest**

*April 20, 2017 – Chicago, Illinois* -- EY today announced that Neil Book, President and CEO of Jet Support Services, Inc. (JSSI), is a finalist for the Entrepreneur Of The Year® 2017 Award in the Midwest. The awards program, which is celebrating its 31st year, recognizes entrepreneurs who are excelling in areas such as innovation, financial performance and personal commitment to their businesses and communities. Book was selected as a finalist by a panel of independent judges. Award winners will be announced at a special gala event on June 21 in Chicago, Illinois.

“I was so flattered to be nominated by a long-term colleague and to now be selected as a finalist by the prestigious EY panel is truly an honor,” said Book. “I am privileged to work alongside an incredible team, with great partners, in a remarkable industry. We work every day to exceed our customers’ expectations and to find new, innovative ways to deliver value. It’s this entrepreneurial spirit throughout the organization that has fueled our growth and ability to distinguish ourselves.”

Now in its 31st year, the program has expanded to recognize business leaders in over 145 cities and more than 60 countries throughout the world.

Regional award winners are eligible for consideration for the Entrepreneur Of The Year National competition. Award winners in several national categories, as well as the Entrepreneur Of The Year National Overall Award winner, will be announced at the Entrepreneur Of The Year National Awards gala in Palm Springs, California, on November 18, 2017. The awards are the culminating event of the Strategic Growth Forum™, the nation’s most prestigious gathering of high-growth, market-leading companies.

## **Sponsors**

Founded and produced by EY, the Entrepreneur Of The Year Awards are nationally sponsored in the US by SAP America, Merrill Corporation and the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation.

Local sponsors for the Midwest program include Plexus Groupe, LaSalle Network, PNC Bank, Becker Professional Education, Cresa, DLA Piper, Milwaukee Business Journal and 1871.

## **About Jet Support Services, Inc.**

Jet Support Services, Inc. (JSSI), is the leading independent provider of maintenance programs to the business aviation industry, covering virtually all makes and models of business aircraft, engines, and APUs. JSSI provides its customers with comprehensive, flexible and affordable financial programs and tools for managing the often unpredictable costs of operating and maintaining nearly all types of turbine-powered aircraft, including business and commercial jets, turboprops and helicopters. As the creator of the revolutionary Tip-to-Tail® Program, JSSI is the only single source provider of this trademarked service. JSSI serves customers globally and manages maintenance services through its worldwide infrastructure of certified technical advisors.

Other JSSI Services:

- **JSSI Parts** gives clients the advantage of JSSI buying power and expertise as the single largest purchaser of parts and maintenance services in the business aviation industry.
- **Jet Engine Leasing** offers engine- and APU-leasing solutions. JSSI owns several rental assets for hard-to-locate platforms and can source rental assets for almost anything that flies.
- **AMP** is JSSI's dedicated Asset Management Platform (AMP), available to business aviation lenders as a tool to assist in the mitigation of risk and the management of financed aircraft.

## **About Entrepreneur Of The Year®**

Entrepreneur Of The Year®, founded by EY, is the world's most prestigious business awards program for entrepreneurs, chosen from an independent panel of judges including entrepreneurs and prominent leaders from business, finance, and the local community. The program makes a difference through the way it encourages entrepreneurial activity among those with potential and recognizes the contribution of people who inspire others with their vision, leadership and achievement. As the first and only truly global awards program of its kind, Entrepreneur Of The Year celebrates those who are building and leading

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