LAS VEGAS (June 18, 2019) – The Association of Gaming Equipment Manufacturers (AGEM) and Gaming Laboratories International (GLI®) announced today the creation of their new “Lasting Impact Philanthropic Initiative,” a multi-year effort aimed at identifying worthy causes that will utilize direct contributions to flourish over the long term and provide a variety of assistance to multiple beneficiaries.

The first gift from the newly formed Initiative is a $500,000 contribution to the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering building fund at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), which is developing a 51,000-square foot, three-floor building on campus to accommodate the approximately 260 B.S., 50 M.S. and 20 Ph.D. engineering graduates each year and projected future growth. The Initiative’s $500,000 gift is a direct investment in the importance of education in Nevada, the city of Las Vegas, university students and faculty and the future pipeline of skilled engineers for gaming and many other industries.

“AGEM is proud to be working with GLI on this unique giving program that will benefit many different audiences and will be true to the idea of making a ‘lasting impact’ through a strong ripple effect inside the gaming industry and beyond,” AGEM Executive Director Marcus Prater said. “We value GLI’s commitment in joining us to make a positive difference in everything we do, and we look forward to seeing the UNLV College of Engineering break ground on its new building.”

“Since opening our doors 30 years ago, GLI has been dedicated to giving back to the communities where we do business around the world. We are committed to creating big ideas making a big difference in the global gaming industry and partnering with AGEM to create the Lasting Impact Philanthropic Initiative is the latest illustration of that commitment,” said GLI President/CEO James Maida. “Given the highly technical nature of today’s gaming industry, a vibrant and thriving engineering community is crucial to our mutual success, and that is why it was important that this first gift went to UNLV’s College of Engineering, to further solidify a pipeline of talent that will help to ensure the industry’s future success.”

“The College of Engineering is committed to building the infrastructure needed to educate the engineers of tomorrow, and creating research space that will enable the forward-thinking progress of corporate partners such as AGEM and GLI,” said Rama Venkat, Dean of the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering. “This generous gift from the Lasting Impact Philanthropic Initiative will help make that possible. The new Advanced Engineering Studies Building will facilitate critical research, foster innovation, and pave the way for the vision we all share for Nevada’s future of a robust tech-based economy.”

The www.AGEMGLIimpact.org website will be an ongoing source of information about this collective effort.

About the Association of Gaming Equipment Manufacturers
AGEM is a non-profit international trade association representing manufacturers and suppliers of electronic gaming devices, lotteries, systems, table games, online technology, sports betting, key components and support products and services for the gaming industry. AGEM works to further the interests of gaming equipment suppliers throughout the world. Through political action, regulatory influence, trade show partnerships, educational alliances, information dissemination and good corporate citizenship, the members of AGEM work together to create benefits for every company within the organization. Together, AGEM has assisted regulatory agencies and participated in the legislative process to solve problems and create a business environment where AGEM members can prosper while
providing a strong level of support to education and responsible gaming initiatives. For more information, visit www.AGEM.org.

**About Gaming Laboratories International**
Gaming Laboratories International, LLC delivers the highest quality land-based, lottery, and iGaming testing and assessment services. GLI’s laboratory locations are found on six continents, and the company holds U.S. and international accreditations for compliance with ISO/IEC 17025, 17020, and 17065 standards for technical competence in the gaming, wagering and lottery industries. GLI also holds ISTQB certification. Through previous philanthropic efforts, GLI was a founding partner of the UNLV International Center for Gaming Regulation. For more information, visit gaminglabs.com.

**About UNLV College of Engineering Building Fund**
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