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## ACEs Documentary RESILIENCE Will Broadcast Throughout the State of Florida On Public TV

KPJR Films & PBS Stations will broadcast the award-winning documentary in Honor of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Victims and to Support the Healing of the Community

Tallahassee, FL: RESILIENCE: The Biology of Stress and the Science of Hope will air on public TV Station throughout Florida on February 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 pm ET. The broadcast will commemorate the victims and survivors of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting which happened in Parkland, FL one year ago. Following the broadcast KPJR Films will host a **RESILIENCE** National Twitter Town Hall with discussion of aspects of trauma, toxic stress and resilience with professionals and subject matter experts including: James Redford, Director of Resilience; Alice Forrester, PhD CEO Clifford Beers Foundation, Jane Stevens, ACES Connection and other experts from Florida. Join the Twitter Town Hall at @DocResilience using #ResilienceFL.

**RESILIENCE** shows us, through science and the stories of our young people, how adults are stepping up to help children who are exposed to adverse experiences," said James Redford, Director, KPJR Films. "We hope the stories of children, educators and scientists grappling with the results of trauma help raise awareness, foster conversation and inspire action. We so appreciate the PBS stations who are broadcasting this timely information into their communities." "We are thrilled that **RESILIENCE** will be broadcast throughout the state of Florida on Public TV. The broadcast works to meet our goal of helping our states and communities build resilience and change the trajectory of that child and families' lives. We believe that many of Florida's most costly, intractable social problems, including our opioid and substance abuse crisis, our growing public health costs, tragic school failures, and the multigenerational cycle of families in our criminal justice and child welfare systems, can be decreased by addressing early trauma and building resilience," said MiMi Graham, Director, Florida State University Center for Prevention & Early Intervention Policy.

The following stations will be airing this film:

WGCU Naples area WUCF Orlando WSRE Pensacola WJCT Jacksonville

WEDU Tampa WUFT Gainesville WPBT Miami WFSU Tallahassee/North Florida

We see the film *Resilience* as an advocacy tool that our community can use to help explain toxic stress and its impact on students and how they function in schools," said Katherine C. Cowan, Communications Director, National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). "This is a problem we can solve, but it will take expertise and support from educators, school psychologists, health experts and elected officials."

KPJR Films, a producer of independent films about pressing social issues, offers documentary films *Paper Tigers* and *Resilience* for screening in local communities. There are additional resources available on the <u>KPJRfilms.co</u> website, including a Resilience Facilitator's Guide and a One Caring Adult Resource portal.

