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# Jacobs Ranked No. 1 on Fortune's 2019 World's Most Admired Companies List

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DALLAS , Jan. 23, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- **Jacobs** (NYSE:JEC) has been ranked No. 1 on Fortune magazine's **2019 World's Most Admired Companies list** in the engineering and construction category. The annual survey, conducted by Fortune and Korn Ferry, is given to top executives, directors and financial analysts for identifying companies with the strongest reputations within and across industries. Jacobs previously ranked No. 5 among companies in the engineering and construction industry in 2018.

"The Fortune number-one ranking is a tremendous tribute to our employees – recognizing their leadership and focus in driving excellence in every aspect of our business – while challenging the status quo and delivering critical solutions for complex problems around the world," said Jacobs Chair and CEO Steve Demetriou .

Fortune's World's Most Admired Companies list is the definitive report card on corporate reputation. To compile the rankings, corporate reputation and performance are measured against nine key attributes: innovation, people management, use of corporate assets, social responsibility, quality of management, financial soundness, long-term investment, quality of products and services and global competitiveness. Jacobs' secured the No. 1 ranking through its collective performance in each key attribute of reputation within the industry.

Fortune collaborates with partner Korn Ferry on this corporate reputation survey, which evaluates approximately 1,500 companies, including the 1,000 largest U.S. companies ranked by revenue and non- U.S. companies in the Fortune Global 500<sup>®</sup> database with revenues of \$10 billion or more. Korn Ferry surveys 680 companies from 30 countries to select the 15 largest for each international industry and the 10 largest for each U.S. industry.

The complete list of 2019 World's Most Admired Companies, including the methodology on the rankings, can be found in Fortune magazine and **online** .

Jacobs leads the global professional services sector delivering solutions for a more connected, sustainable world. With \$15 billion in fiscal 2017 revenue when combined with full-year CH2M revenues and a talent force of more than 77,000, Jacobs provides a full spectrum of services including scientific, technical, professional and construction- and program-management for business, industrial, commercial, government and infrastructure sectors. For more information, visit **www.jacobs.com** , and connect with Jacobs on **LinkedIn** , **Twitter** , **Facebook** and **Instagram** .

Statements made in this release that are not based on historical fact are forward-looking statements. We base these forward-looking statements on management's current estimates and expectations as well as currently available competitive, financial and economic data. Forward-looking statements, however, are inherently uncertain. There are a variety of factors that could cause business results to differ materially from our forward-looking statements. For a description of some of the factors which may occur that could cause actual results to differ from our forward-looking statements please refer to our Form 10-K for the year ended September 28, 2018 , and in particular the discussions contained under Items 1 - Business, 1A - Risk Factors, 3 - Legal Proceedings, and 7 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. We do not undertake to update any forward-looking statements made herein.

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