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GATE COIN BOX CHARITY CAMPAIGN RAISES \$50,000 FOR AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., February 6, 2023 — The GATE Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Jacksonville-based GATE Petroleum Company, and GATE customers raised \$50,000 for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP). Funds were collected July 1 – December 31, 2022 in coin boxes at the registers of all GATE locations in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. Funding will be allocated to AFSP chapters in the state where collected.

“The work of organizations like the AFSP to address mental health issues and suicide in our communities is incredibly vital,” said Kathy Brady, executive director of the GATE Foundation. “We are grateful for the opportunity to provide financial support to their lifesaving strategies .”

The mission of the AFSP is to save lives and bring hope to those affected by suicide. They provide a nationwide community empowered by research, education and advocacy to take action against this leading cause of death.

“We are so grateful for The GATE Foundation’s partnership with AFSP for its coin box campaign,” said AFSP North Florida and Panhandle Area Director Sarah Clark. “Because of The GATE Foundation and the generosity of GATE customers, we will be able to continue to bring suicide prevention education into our local communities.”

About The GATE Foundation:

The GATE Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Jacksonville-based GATE Petroleum Company, has contributed tens of millions of dollars to support efforts and services that nurture and protect the well-being of family and community. Founded in 1960 by Herbert H. Peyton, GATE Petroleum Company is a heavily-diversified company headquartered in Jacksonville, Fla. GATE operates in a variety of industries including retail convenience stores, car washes, fleet and fuel services, real estate, hospitality and construction materials. For more information on The GATE Foundation, visit <http://myGATEstore.com/Community> or call (904) 737-7220.

About the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention:

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention is dedicated to saving lives and bringing hope to those affected by suicide, including those who have experienced a loss. AFSP creates a culture that’s smart about mental health through public education and community programs, develops suicide prevention through research and advocacy, and provides support for those affected by suicide. Led by CEO Robert Gebbia and headquartered in New York, with an Advocacy office in Washington, DC, AFSP has local chapters in all 50 states including Puerto Rico, with programs and events nationwide. Learn more about AFSP in its latest Annual Report and join the conversation on suicide prevention by following AFSP on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube.

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