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AccuWeather's Dr. Joel N. Myers, Accepts Key Role as Advocate and Champion for Greater Father Involvement with Children and Families Dads' Resource Center Joins Strong Families Commission and Symposium Organizing Committee

State College, PA—March 4, 2019—Dr. Joel N. Myers, founder, chief executive officer and chairman of AccuWeather and Pennsylvania [Dad's Resource Center](#) (DRC), and DRC executive director Jeff Steiner have accepted key volunteer roles in the [Symposium Organizing Committee](#) (SOC), convened by [The Strong Families Commission](#), and chaired by the Reverend Dr. W. Wilson Goode, Sr., former Mayor of the City of Philadelphia.

Myers will serve as the Advocate and Champion for Greater Father Involvement in the lives of children and families. In addition, Jeff Steiner will serve on the SOC Leadership Council as council member at-large.

"We are thrilled that Joel will be the champion and public advocate of the efforts being put forth by the SOC," states Dr. Rufus Sylvester Lynch, ACSW Facilitator Pennsylvania Citizens Policy Team and statewide facilitator of the SOC. "His success as an academic scientific leader, corporate builder, philanthropist and the father of seven, is widely renowned and will bring tremendous benefit to our works."

"Perhaps not as widely known is his personal commitment to helping fathers, especially single fathers, and fostering healthy relationships with their children and families. Joel put forth his commitment in founding, funding and chairing Pennsylvania nonprofit Dads' Resource Center. The DRC mission is to provide education, resources and advocacy for single fathers so they are able to fulfill their vital role in the well-being and healthy development of their children. This is consistent with the mission and vision of The Strong Families Commission, which convened the SOC," Dr. Lynch concludes.

"Research shows that children who maintain healthy, quality relationships with both their mom and their dad following the separation of their parents usually experience better adjustment and more positive rates of development," says Dr. Joel Myers.

"Because of the time and dedication of so many involved in this initiative, there is an opportunity to achieve great things on behalf of children. I am honored to accept the opportunity to play a role in this meaningful endeavor to make Pennsylvania a state that leads the country in advocating for the equal

and critical rights and roles of both parents in the care and development of their children,” Myers concludes.

About Dads’ Resource Center

[The Dads' Resource Center](#) was founded by Dr. Joel N. Myers, AccuWeather founder, chief executive officer and chairman in 2015. Its mission is to provide education, resources and advocacy for single fathers so they are able to fulfill their vital role in the well-being and healthy development of their children. At the heart, Dads’ Resource Center is a children’s advocacy organization that aims to ensure that each child has the appropriate involvement and contributions from both of their parents.

About Symposium Organizing Committee

[Symposium Organizing Committee](#) (SOC) works with Commonwealth leaders to eliminate systemic barriers that impede greater father involvement and their contributions to the well-being of their children and families. SOC encourages executive opinion leaders, policy makers, and child and family service providers to embrace and support the contributions that fathers can make to their children, families and communities.

About Strong Families Commission

The mission of [The Strong Families Commission](#), a private, nonprofit 501 (c)(3) organization based in Philadelphia, is to strengthen families and improve developmental outcomes for children by advocating for greater father involvement in the lives of children and families and the systems that serve them.

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