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SmartStop Self Storage Continues Support for the Breast Cancer Research Foundation for Seventh Consecutive Year

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LADERA RANCH, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- SmartStop Self Storage REIT, Inc. ("SmartStop" or the "Company"), a self-managed and fully integrated self-storage company, is proud to announce the continuation of its partnership with the Breast Cancer Research Foundation® (BCRF) for the seventh consecutive year. In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, SmartStop will donate \$5 to BCRF for every new unit rented throughout October, supporting critical breast cancer research advancement.

Since the beginning of this partnership in 2018, SmartStop has contributed more than \$195,000 across its operations in the U.S. and Canada. These donations have been instrumental in advancing critical research, such as clinical trials, the acquisition of advanced research equipment, and the support of dedicated research personnel.

As the largest private funder of breast cancer research worldwide, the Breast Cancer Research Foundation leads groundbreaking initiatives, including research focused on metastatic breast cancer, and is the highest rated breast cancer organization in the U.S. In 2024-2025, BCRF is investing \$70.3 million in annual grants to more than 260 scientists from top academic and medical institutions around the globe.

"We are deeply honored to continue supporting the Breast Cancer Research Foundation in their mission to eradicate breast cancer through innovative research," said H. Michael Schwartz, Chairman and CEO of SmartStop. "At SmartStop, we believe that corporate responsibility is not just about business success but also about making a lasting impact on critical issues in our communities. We are committed to doing our part to contribute to a future where breast cancer no longer devastates lives."



About the Breast Cancer Research Foundation

Breast cancer is a complex disease with no simple solution. Research is the key to stopping it in its tracks. Founded in 1993 by Evelyn H. Lauder, the Breast Cancer Research Foundation is the largest private funder of breast cancer research in the world. By investing in the best minds in science to examine every aspect of the disease from prevention to metastasis—and fostering cross-disciplinary collaboration—BCRF is accelerating the entire field and moves us closer to the answers we urgently need to be the end of breast cancer. Learn more and get involved at BCRF.org.

About SmartStop Self Storage REIT, Inc. (SmartStop):

SmartStop Self Storage REIT, Inc. (“SmartStop”) is a self-managed REIT with a fully integrated operations team of approximately 525 self-storage professionals focused on growing the SmartStop® Self Storage brand. SmartStop, through its indirect subsidiary SmartStop REIT Advisors, LLC, also sponsors other self-storage programs. As of October 2, 2024, SmartStop has an owned or managed portfolio of 202 operating properties in 22 states and Canada, comprising approximately 142,500 units and 16.1 million rentable square feet. SmartStop and its affiliates own or manage 36 operating self-storage properties in Canada, which total approximately 31,000 units and 3.2 million rentable square feet. Additional information regarding SmartStop is available at www.smartstopselfstorage.com.

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