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**Robert D.L. Gardiner Foundation Partners with
Webb Institute through a \$250K Grant to Support Need-Based
Student Room and Board Scholarships**



Glen Cove, NY – On July 12, 2018, the Robert David Lion Gardiner (RDLG) Foundation awarded Webb Institute a \$250,000 grant over a three-year period to support need-based room and board scholarships that will meet the full demonstrated financial need for Webb students in the next three years, beginning in the 2018-19 academic year.

Webb Institute is a small, top-ranked undergraduate engineering college located in Glen Cove, New York. Webb provides a full-tuition scholarship for all its students for all four years as they earn a BS degree in naval architecture and marine engineering. While the full-tuition scholarship assists students tremendously in affording a Webb education,

many students and their families are challenged to pay for room and board and other expenses. This unmet need has been typically covered through student and parent loans.

The generous grant from the RDLG Foundation will provide the funds required to meet the demonstrated financial need of current and incoming Webb students during the same three-year period. Webb joins a list of approximately 70 colleges and universities in the United States that meet demonstrated need.

“We are thrilled to partner with the Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation in this important initiative, which will make Webb more affordable to a diverse group of prospective students,” said Webb President R. Keith Michel. “The program is in keeping with the aspirations of our Founder, William H. Webb, who established Webb with the intent that it be completely free for all qualified applicants whose families could not afford the cost of an education.”

“The Webb Institute has an unparalleled continued tradition of maritime heritage. The Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation sees this award as an opportunity for Webb to include the best and brightest students of diverse populations into their exemplary educational programs. The Gardiner Foundation’s award will allow the mission originally established by William Webb to be continued,” said Kathryn M. Curran, Executive Director of the Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation.

About Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation:

The Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation, established in 1987 primarily supports the study of New York State history, with an emphasis on Suffolk County. Robert David Lion Gardiner was, until his death in August 2004, the 16th Lord of the Manor of Gardiner’s Island. The Gardiner Family and their descendants have owned Gardiner’s Island since 1639, obtained as part of a royal grant from King Charles I of England. The Foundation is inspired by Robert David Lion Gardiner’s personal passion for New York history.

About Webb Institute:

Founded in 1889 by New York-based ship builder William H. Webb, Webb Institute is a top-ranked undergraduate institution specializing in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering. Webb is the only full-tuition scholarship, private undergraduate program of its kind in the United States, with a maximum of 28 students being accepted into the program each year. Webb Institute’s beautiful, waterfront campus is located in Glen Cove, NY, on the North Shore of Long Island.

(See Attached) Webb Institute Director of Development, Anthony Zic, Director of Admissions and Student Affairs, Lauren Carballo, Executive Director of RDLG Foundation, Kathryn Curran, Webb Board of Trustee, Joseph Cuneo, and President R. Keith Michel.

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