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REV YOUR ENGINES! "SPEED" OPENS AT (name of museum)

SPEED: 1. swiftness; quick motion 2. rate of movement; velocity 3. an arrangement of gears

(City) Date- Accelerate and break the sound barrier at (name of museum) for *SPEED*, our newest traveling exhibit. *SPEED* opens on (date opens) and will continue through (date closes).

SPEED is a 6,000 square foot experience delivering a high-speed plunge into the world of high performance, limit stretching, and barrier smashing motion. Using examples from race cars, planes, boats and eccentric and custom vehicles, the 21 interactive hands on components in *SPEED* will engage visitors of all ages. Test your skills as a world class downhill skier or build your own rollercoaster! The experiences focus on the science and technology of pushing the envelope to achieve record setting speed while explaining the limits of getting there.

The exhibit is divided into five areas: PUSH, GO, ZOOM, DRAG & STOP. It's also loaded with cool facts and unbelievable true stories of people who have dared to test the limits of speed like Air Force Colonel John Paul Stapp. He was not only the "fastest human on earth;" he was the quickest to stop. The exhibit also follows Cheryl Stearns, a 46-year-old US Airways captain and 21-time U.S. women's parachuting champion, who is still trying to break the speed of sound with her body by planning a free fall from 24 miles above the earth.

SPEED was created by COSI Columbus with support from the National Science Foundation and in cooperation with the Science Museum Exhibit Collaborative.

COSI Columbus is open Wednesday - Saturday, 10am - 5pm and Sundays Noon - 6pm. Admission is as follows: \$12.50 for adults, \$7.50 for youth (2 - 12 years old), \$10.50 for senior citizens and free to children under 24 months and COSI Members. Extreme Screen tickets are \$5.50 when purchased with a general admission pass and \$7.50 when purchased alone. For more information, visit cosi.org or call 614.228.COSI.