Recording Academy™ Producers & Engineers Wing® and Washington, D.C. Chapter Hold Successful Event "An Evening with Marcella Araica & Kesha Lee"

**Santa Monica, Calif. (APRIL 10, 2018)** — On March 22, 2018, the Recording Academy™ Washington, D.C. Chapter’s Producers & Engineers Wing committee hosted a private dinner and conversation at The Hamilton celebrating the achievements of two established music engineers, Marcella Araica(Beyoncé, Madonna, Missy Elliot) and Kesha Lee (Childish Gambino, Lil Uzi Vert, Gucci Mane). Araica and Lee both spoke on a panel sharing their unique perspectives.

Washington, D.C. chapter president Carl “Kokayi” Walker and new DC Chapter Executive Director Jeriel Johnson kicked off the dinner by welcoming artists, producers, and engineers in the room to the discussion. Moderated by GRAMMY®-nominated singer/songwriterCarolyn Malachi, the conversation ranged from the panelists’ most memorable sessions to their favorite plug-ins and techniques, along with more personal topics such as work and family life balance and certain barriers-to-entry they’ve faced as women in the industry.

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Photo caption 1: Pictured L-R: Kesha Lee, Carolyn Malchi and Marcella Araica, pictured at “An Evening with Marcella Araica & Kesha Lee” at The Hamilton in Washington, D.C., on March 22, 2018. Photo credit: Paul Morigi, WireImage/Getty Images. © 2018.

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Photo caption 2: Pictured L-R: Kesha Lee, Carolyn Malchi and Marcella Araica, pictured at “An Evening with Marcella Araica & Kesha Lee” at The Hamilton in Washington, D.C., on March 22, 2018. Photo credit: Paul Morigi, WireImage/Getty Images. © 2018.

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