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Chief of Staff Expert to Keynote Hoover Celebration Banquet

WEST BRANCH, IOWA – Aug. 28, 2017 – New York Times best-selling author, Chris Whipple will present the keynote address at the annual Hoover Presidential Foundation’s Celebration Banquet, Wednesday, Nov. 1 at the Coralville Marriott. Whipple, an acclaimed documentary filmmaker and writer, is the author of, *The Gatekeepers: How the White House chiefs of staff define every presidency*. Amazon’s #1 best-selling new release in U.S. biography, *The Gatekeepers* is attracting rave reviews. “If you’re a political junkie or just curious, this book is for you,” says Tom Brokaw, the featured speaker at last year’s banquet.

“We’re excited to have Chris speak at the banquet,” said Jerry Fleagle, executive director of the Foundation. “He brings an insider’s perspective on the subject and was very well received at a recent Ford Presidential Foundation event where all of his books sold out.” Fleagle expects ticket sales to be brisk. Attendees may bring their own books or purchase them on-site. You can learn more about Chris Whipple at www.ChrisWhipple.net.

The evening includes a general member reception with cash bar for all guests an hour before the meal. A special V.I.P. Reception prior to the dinner is included with certain table sponsorships or to individuals who purchase a pass to the reception. Guests there will enjoy a meet and greet with Mr. Whipple including photos and book signing, and an open bar and hors d’oeuvres. Early-bird pricing for the V.I.P. event is \$75 and expires on Oct. 15. The cost to attend the banquet is \$125. The banquet is the Foundation’s premiere fundraising event.

Tickets and table sponsorship information can be found online at: www.HooverPresidentialFoundation.org.

About the Foundation

The Hoover Presidential Foundation is a private nonprofit organization for the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library-Museum and Hoover National Historic Site in West Branch, Iowa. The Foundation fosters the collection, interpretation and preservation of historical resources relating to the life, ideas and values of Herbert Hoover, 31st President of the United States.

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Book: Whipple’s book, *The Gatekeepers,* is a NY Times and Amazon #1 best-seller.

Whipple: Author Chris Whipple will speak at the Hoover Presidential Foundation Celebration Banquet Nov. 1.
