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## **The Leonardo Announces \$800,000 Grant from Micron Technology Foundation**

*-Partnership will support science and technology education  
-Donation represents largest grant ever given by Micron in Utah*

SALT LAKE CITY—The Leonardo today announced that it has received an \$800,000 grant from the Micron Technology Foundation, Inc. toward its capital campaign.

"Science and math are at the core of our company's cutting-edge innovations," said Steve Appleton, chairman, CEO, and president of Micron Technology, Inc. "In order for the United States to compete as the global leader, we must continue to train our youth to be critical thinkers, problem solvers, engineers, scientists, and mathematicians. Students who excel in these areas will be well prepared to play a vital role in the future of great companies and our nation. We believe that an investment in The Leonardo will inspire innovation in youth and help to bring about a new generation of innovators."

The Leonardo is a state/regional science, art and culture center opening in the heart of Utah's capital city in 2008. The Leonardo will feature hands-on exhibits, programs and events, and bring educational programming to schools throughout the state via The Leonardo on Wheels outreach program, and its interactive website. The Leonardo enjoys broad-based support from both the private and public sectors. In 2003, Salt Lake City voters passed a \$10 million bond to help develop the center. The Leonardo has also received funding from federal and county sources, as well as private foundations and individuals.

"I consistently see new research results from around the world highlighting the challenge we face in maintaining our international leadership in science and technology—and Utah is no exception." said Greg Jones, Utah's state science advisor. "Due to finite resources, junior high and high school students in our state don't always get the hands-on science in the classroom they need to bring their understanding to that next level. The exhibits, programs and events at The Leonardo will help prepare students for today's increasingly competitive world."

"It is exciting to receive such strong support from the business community," said Mary Tull, executive director of The Leonardo. "The Micron Technology Foundation has a strong vision of what it takes to engage young people in the high-level educational experiences they need, and to which they can relate. Uniting Micron's technology background with The Leonardo's unique art-culture-science approach will make possible new levels of creativity and innovation we can only begin to imagine."

This grant is the largest the Micron Technology Foundation has made in the state of Utah. In addition to the grant, Micron will work with The Leonardo to integrate technology into exhibits, programs and events, bringing interactivity to a whole new level. Details of the project are still under development and will be unveiled at a later date.

### **About The Leonardo**

Inspired by Leonardo da Vinci—one of history’s most versatile and creative geniuses—The Leonardo will be a one-of-a-kind art, culture and science center with a multidisciplinary approach.

Located in the heart of Utah’s capital city, The Leonardo will be part of Library Square, a developing civic and education center anchored by a magnificent new City Library, which draws over three million visitors a year. The mission of The Leonardo is to create opportunities for visitors to become participants by exploring “new ways of seeing” their world, themselves and each other.

Three founding partners have come together to develop The Leonardo: Global Artways ([www.globalartways.org](http://www.globalartways.org)), Salt Lake City’s arts education program; the Center for Documentary Arts ([www.cdautah.org](http://www.cdautah.org)), and; the Utah Science Center ([www.utahsciencecenter.org](http://www.utahsciencecenter.org)).

### **About Micron Technology Foundation**

The Micron Technology Foundation, Inc., a private, non-profit organization established in 1999 with a gift from Micron Technology, Inc., is engaged in funding educational efforts and charitable activities. To learn more about the Micron Technology Foundation, visit its web site at [www.micron.com/foundation](http://www.micron.com/foundation).

In January 2006, Micron Technology, Inc., one of the world's leading providers of advanced semiconductor solutions, and Intel Corporation, the world’s largest chip maker, came together to form a new company: IM Flash Technologies, LLC.

IM Flash marries the technology, assets, and experience of two major corporations to manufacture NAND Flash memory—an increasingly important and fast-growing memory technology used in consumer electronics, removable storage, and handheld communication devices. IM Flash Technologies has a state-of-the-art, 300mm semiconductor manufacturing facility located near Salt Lake City, in Lehi, Utah.