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## Jabłonki CELEBRATION

## PROGRAM

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Event Begins: 4:00 p.m.

Overview of the State of Poland Foundation and the Project in New York Włodzimierz Dola, President of the State of Poland Foundation

Introduction to Jabłonki Project and Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
Beata Daszyńska-Muzyczka, President of Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego

Remarks on the Strength of the Relationship Between Poland and the US, Tree Planting in New York Adrian Kubicki, Consul General of the Republic of Poland in New York

## Special Guest

Daniel Pipes, President of the Middle East Forum

Presentation of Plaques and Closing Remarks
Danuta Nierada, Creative \& Strategic
Director at the State of Poland Foundation

Directly following the program, please join us at The Carlyle Hotel for a continuation of our Jabłonki celebration.

## The Carlyle Hotel

Trianon and Versailles Suites
35 E. 76th St., Between Madison and Park Avenues

## HONOREES

Albert Sabin, 1906-1993

Antoni Chrościelewski, 1924-2021
Jan Kiepura, 1902-1966
Julien Bryan, 1899-1974
Kazimierz Funk, 1884-1967
Kazimierz Pułaski, 1745-1779
Kościuszko Squadron, 1919-1920
Merian C. Cooper, 1893-1973
Michael H. Ollis, 1988-2013
Mirosław Domińczyk, 1953-2023
President Ronald Reagan, 1911-2004
Richard Pipes, 1923-2018
Rudolf Modrzejewski, 1861-1940
Ryszard Kossobudzki, 1926-2012
Tadeusz Kościuszko, 1746-1817
Włodzimierz Krzyżanowski, 1824-1887

## A Jabłonki History

Jabłonki - the art of celebrating apples. The festival begins when the apple trees burst into bloom, blanketing themselves in snowwhite flowers, and ends when the time comes to harvest their sweet fruit.

In Poland, often referred to as the "Orchard of Europe," apple trees grow everywhere. Some claim they've colonized our country and taken over our minds. Apple juice, they say, even courses through our veins. That must be true: apples, after all, are for us a synonym of beauty and taste, a promise of adventure and magical rituals.

Poland is one of the world's largest apple producers, with Polish orchards making up about $30 \%$ of the orchard area across the entire European Union, even though Poland itself only constitutes 7\% of the EU's total land area. Apples are the domain of Polish horticulture - the annual production of these native fruits amounts to as much as three million tons.

Today, we celebrate the planting of 340 flowering apple trees across New York City in honor of the mutual heritage and PolishAmerican friendship.

The histories of Poland and the United States are deeply intertwined. Many Poles have had a significant impact on shaping American history and culture. In addition, many Americans have developed a special and selfless love for Poland, standing in its defense on both military and political fronts.

This planting project, completed by the State of Poland Foundation, Consulate General of the Republic of Poland and the Tree Time Foundation, symbolizes the historical and cultural ties as well as the indissoluble bond of these two nations.

