



# AMERICAN FRIENDS OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

*Preliminary*

## **Gala Award Dinner: *The Woodrow Wilson Monument Returns to Prague* Celebrating 20 Years of Freedom and Honoring the Visionary Leader of Chicago**

**Mayor Richard M. Daley**

**November 10, 2009 ♦ Chicago, IL ♦ Ritz Carlton Hotel Grand Ballroom**

*The Woodrow Wilson Monument Returns to Prague* Gala, presented by the American Friends of the Czech Republic, will be a celebration of Czech democracy, freedom, progress, and the partnership between former United States President Woodrow Wilson and T.G. Masaryk to create the Czechoslovak Republic. Proceeds from the event will go toward reconstructing the Woodrow Wilson Monument in Prague, which was destroyed by the Nazis in 1941.

### **Civil Society Vision Award Honoree**

Visionary Leader of Chicago—Sister City of Prague

**Mayor Richard M. Daley**



Václav Klaus

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### **Sponsorship Levels**

**\$50,000** – Wilson Event Lead Sponsor

**\$25,000** – President Sponsor   **\$10,000** – Ambassador Sponsor   **\$5,000** – Leadership Sponsor  
**\$500** Dinner Only individual ticket *(Limited Availability)*

### **About the American Friends of the Czech Republic**

The American Friends of the Czech Republic (AFoCR) fosters ties between the United States and the Czech Republic in the areas of business, trade, culture, education, diplomacy, and security. AFoCR enhances understanding, friendship and respect between the peoples of the two countries, while educating U.S. government leaders, media, and other opinion makers about the goals and aspirations of the Czech people. Nationwide in scope, AFoCR is the voice of the American constituency that supports the Czech democracy.

### **Event Details**

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6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. *VIP Reception, by special invitation*

7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. *Award Dinner and Program*

*Business attire*

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