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Leadership Pasadena Announces Honorees For Tenth Anniversary Event

**Celebration to be held on November 12 at 5:30 p.m. at the Caltech Athenaeum;
Melekian, Selinske lead list of honorees.**

PASADENA, CALIFORNIA— The list of honorees for Leadership Pasadena's Tenth Anniversary celebration covers a virtual "Who's Who" of those who have contributed to the welfare of Pasadena over the past decade.

"People think of Leadership Pasadena as a training ground for advanced local leadership," notes current Leadership Pasadena Board Chair Martin Gordon, "but what we really are is a place for people to come together and grow together, creating amazing synergies in service to our community."

"As we appreciate the current set of strong leaders who are strong supporters of Leadership Pasadena, for example Mayor Bogaard, City Manager Beck, and PUSD Superintendent Diaz, we are pleased to take time at this event to honor those leaders who paved the way for where Pasadena stands today," adds Leadership Pasadena Director Mark Mastromatteo.

Honorees for the evening's event are the legacy founders of Leadership Pasadena. They include departing Pasadena Police Chief Bernard Melekian and current PUSD Board President Tom Selinske. Also honored are Lightbringer Project President Tom Coston; Caltech Assistant Vice President Hall Daily; Pasadena Chief Information Officer Ann Erdman; Pasadena Heritage Foundation President Mic Hansen; Huntington Hospital President and CEO Steve Ralph; Vistage CEO Gail Schaper-Gordon; local consultant Gerda Govine; PCC Operations Supervisor Ibrahim Naeem; founding LP Board Chair Sarah Smith Orr; founding LP Executive Director Greg Apodaca; So Cal Gas Company's Tony Tartaglia; PUSD's Suzanne Berberian; LPL Financial's Hunt Salembier; Valencia, Perez, and Echeveste's Manuel Valencia; CPA Bob Pacheco; community activists Socorro Manzanilla, Jane Wetzel, and Thelma Vickroy; former Pasadena Mayor and current Ventura City Manager Rick Cole; former Pasadena City Manager Phil Hawkey; and former Urban League President Pat Bradley (posthumous).

Leadership Pasadena sponsors for the evening's event include Parson Corporation, Avery Foundation, Huntington Memorial Hospital, and Dr. and Mrs. Gordon K. Squires.

Tickets are still available for this special event. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call Leadership Pasadena at 626-577-2296, or email info@leadershippasadena.org.

Leadership Pasadena is a non-profit organization founded in 1999 and committed to leadership training in service to Pasadena. The eight-month program consists of self-awareness lessons; leadership training; an education in the history, makeup, issues, and operation of the City of Pasadena; and the creation of a community project. Once graduated, LP alumni continue to stay in contact, work together on civic projects and school programs, and otherwise continue to build on the education gained during the LP program. Leadership Pasadena helps to make our city a wonderful place to work, live, and enjoy!

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