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**Nominations sought for Hall of Fame Awards to honor
outstanding community leaders in Costa Mesa and South Coast Metro**

COSTA MESA, CA, January 24, 2008 – The Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce and South Coast Metro Alliance are again requesting nominations for the Annual Hall of Fame Awards, to be presented April 4 at Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa. To be eligible, individuals must live and/or work in Costa Mesa or South Coast Metro and businesses must be located in one of the two areas.

Categories include Individual Achievement, in recognition of personal success in a specific field, such as arts, education, business, manufacturing, retail, service, sports, entertainment, or government, and Corporate Leadership, open to large corporations and small companies that have demonstrated leadership in their respective industries, whether through marketing, employee relations, sales, growth or another measure of success.

Nominations are also being accepted for Community Spirit, recognizing a company or individual excelling in giving back to the community.

“We are on the lookout for corporations, community organizations and individuals that have drawn unselfishly upon their expertise and success to help others,” said Diane Pritchett, executive director, South Coast Metro Alliance.

“We are delighted that the Hall of Fame Awards has become a highly anticipated tradition for bringing much deserved recognition to extraordinary individuals and organizations in Costa Mesa and South Coast Metro,” said Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Ed Fawcett.

Last year’s recipients were the Donahue Schriber Company and Chairman Tom Schriber; Sandy Segerstrom Daniels, founder and executive director of Festival of Children Foundation; and Jim Carnett, Orange Coast College’s senior director of marketing and community relations.

To obtain a nomination form, contact the Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce at 714.885.9090 or South Coast Metro Alliance at 714.435.2109, or email either organization at efawcett@costamesachamber.com or alliance@southcoastmetro.com. Nominations must be submitted by February 14, 2008 via mail, email or fax.

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