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LOCAL OFFICIALS RECEIVE RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE TO COMMUNITIES BY
LEAGUE OF ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS

PHOENIX – Local elected officials were recognized today by the League of Arizona Cities and Towns for their years of service to their communities.

Award recipients were recognized during the Legislative and Service Award Luncheon at the League Annual Conference on Thursday, August 23 in Phoenix, AZ.

The League recognizes service award recipients each year at its annual conference and awards are bestowed upon mayors and councilmembers who have served their communities for eight, 12, 16, 20 and 24 years of service.

Elected officials who received an 8-year service Award:

Robin Arredondo-Savage, Councilmember, Tempe
Celia Barotz, Councilmember, Flagstaff
Rose Bradford, Councilmember, Kearny
Mario Buchanan Jr., Councilmember, San Luis
Fred Carpenter, Vice Mayor, Payson
Rosemary Castaneda, Councilmember, Miami
Thomas R. Chacon, Sr., Councilmember, Winslow
Michael Collins, Mayor, Paradise Valley
Sam Crissman, Councilmember, Wickenburg
Paul Cunningham, Councilmember, Tucson
Paul Dembow, Councilmember, Paradise Valley
Jose “Joe” Diaz, Councilmember, Nogales
Clorinda Erives, Councilmember, Tolleson
Chris Glover, Councilmember, Mesa
Gwen Calhoun, Councilmember, Sierra Vista
Kevin Hartke, Councilmember, Chandler
Matthew “Matt” Herman, Councilmember, Casa Grande
Satish Hiremath, Mayor, Oro Valley

Mary Snider, Councilmember, Oro Valley
Joe Hornat, Councilmember, Oro Valley
Robert Irvin, Councilmember, Willcox
Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember, Goodyear
John Leech Jr., Councilmember, Show Low
Africa Luna-Carrasco, Councilmember, San Luis
Ruben Madrid, Councilmember, Wickenburg
Mark McBrady, Councilmember, Dewey-Humboldt
Leslie McClendon, Councilmember, Yuma
Jose “Angel” Medina, Councilmember, Miami
Alisteo “Al” Montoya, Councilmember, Tusayan
Lana Mook, Mayor, El Mirage
Terry Nolan, Mayor, Dewey-Humboldt
Dawn Oliphant, Councilmember, Queen Creek
Jack Palladino, Councilmember, El Mirage
Lee Payne, Councilmember, Williams
William Regner, Councilmember, Clarkdale
Chris Riggs, Vice Mayor, Gila Bend
Robert Rojas, Councilmember, Nogales
Gene Seale, Councilmember, Safford
Lynn Selby, Councilmember, El Mirage
Susan Silva, Councilmember, Springerville
Lou Waters, Vice Mayor, Oro Valley
Julia Wheatley, Councilmember, Queen Creek
Sharon Wolcott, Mayor, Surprise

Elected officials who received a 12-year service Award:
Gilbert Aguilar, Councilmember, Superior
Chris Band, Councilmember, Wickenburg
Tim Blake, Councilmember, Litchfield Park
Susan Connell, Councilmember, Payson
Rudy Flores, Councilmember, Kearny
Jay Kinsella, Vice Mayor, Jerome
Henry Leger, Councilmember, Fountain Hills
James Nelson, Jr., Councilmember, Eagar
Mark Nexsen, Mayor, Lake Havasu City
Scott Overton, Councilmember, Flagstaff
Thomas L. Schoaf, Mayor, Litchfield Park
Ralph Varela, Councilmember, Casa Grande
Nolberto Waddell, Vice Mayor, Winkelman
Kenn Weise, Mayor, Avondale

Elected officials who received a 16-year service Award:
Gail Barney, Mayor, Queen Creek
Joel G. Belloc, Mayor, Eloy
Roy Delgado, Councilmember, El Mirage
Frederick W. “Rick” Mueller, Mayor, Sierra Vista
Mary Nedrow, Mayor, Springerville
Richard Ortega, Vice Mayor, Safford
Jon M. Thompson, Mayor, Coolidge

Elected officials who received a 20-year service Award:
Robert Blanchard, Councilmember, Sierra Vista
Louis C. Bracamonte, Mayor, Winkelman
Bernie Hiemenz, Councilmember, Williams
Dewey “Dick” Powell, III, Councilmember, Casa Grande
Daniel L. Radcliffe, Vice Mayor, Kearny

Elected officials who received a 24-year service Award:
Don Dent, Vice Mayor, Williams
Curtis Hardy, Councilmember, Winslow
Anita Hinojos, Councilmember, Winkelman
Gene Kelley, Councilmember, Show Low
Karen Pfeifer, Councilmember, Cottonwood
Jay Tibshraeny, Mayor, Chandler
Chuck Turner, Councilmember, Gila Bend

About the League:
The League of Arizona Cities and Towns is a voluntary association of all the 91 incorporated cities and towns in the State of
Arizona. It provides policy and legislative advocacy, information and inquiry services, along with publications and educational programs to strengthen the quality and efficiency of municipal government. It was founded in 1937 to serve the interests of cities and towns and to preserve the principles of home rule and local determination.