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Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce Names Joe DiMaggio Children Hospital's Keri Hess, Administrative Director, Pediatric Cardiac Services as 2008 Glass Ceiling Recipient

HOLLYWOOD, FL – On Tuesday, December 9, the Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce along with the Chamber's W.O.M.E.N. (Women Owners Managers Executives Network) hosted their 10th Annual Glass Ceiling Luncheon. Kari Hess, Administrative Director, Pediatric Cardiac Services for the Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital, was selected as the Glass Ceiling Award recipient for 2008.

The luncheon was held at Memorial Regional Hospital South (3600 Washington Street, Hollywood) from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

As the Administrative Director, Pediatric Cardiac Services for the Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital, Kari Hess is responsible for leadership in designing, developing and implementing the strategic plan for the hospital. In 2007, she was selected as Team Captain of the American Heart Association's Heart Walk and currently serves on the WPPO Miracle League's Board of Directors.

Sponsored by HEICO Corporation and Memorial Regional Hospital South, the *Glass Ceiling* refers to invisible, artificial barriers that prevent qualified women from advancing within their organization and reaching their full potential.

The criteria to be considered for this award were:

- A Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce Member
- Has overcome barriers to within her workplace & has advanced in her field of endeavor
- Remains dedicated and committed to her community
- Demonstrates a strong sense of morals and ethics
- Must reside or do business in the Greater Hollywood Community

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Congratulations to this year's nominees:

**Lorie-Mertens- Black
Intergovernmental Affairs City of Hollywood**

**Jenna Chamberlain
Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc.**

**Pamela M. Gordon, Esq.
Law Offices of Pamela M Gordon**

**Lisa Liotta
Downtown CRA**

**Debbie Orshefsky, Esq.
Greenberg Traurig, LLP**

**Heidi O'Sheehan
Commissioner City of Hollywood**

**Ina Rentzer
INRO Marketing**

**Eleanor Sobel
State Senator**

**Jeanette Smith
Housing and Community Redevelopment City of Hollywood**

**Ellen Windheim
Realtor**

Past winners include D'Rene Benson of Johnson & Johnson (2006), Major Roni Mangan of the Hollywood Police Department (2002) and Barbara Miller of Event Co. (2000).

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