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***Jorge Estevez of CBS 4 News is set to be Emcee for Chamber's
46th Annual Awards & Installation Ceremony***

HOLLYWOOD, FL – The Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce is excited and pleased to announce local celebrity and CBS 4 Reporter, Jorge Estevez will be the master of ceremonies for the 46th Annual Awards & Installation Ceremony.

Slated for Friday, March 13 at the trendy Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino (1 Seminole Way, Hollywood), this is considered to be the area's premier award event, and all the movers and shakers of the South Broward area will be in attendance.

The cocktail reception will start at 7:00 p.m. with the dinner/program commencing at 8:00 p.m.

Considered to be the second largest Chamber in Broward County, the Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce has been organizing this event for over 45 years!

The grand event will also feature an awards ceremony, which will honor the community's affluent business leaders.

The evening's honorees are:

2009 Chamber President

Beth Kroll, Valley Bank

2008 Chamber President

Dr. Barry Kay, Hollywood Eyes

Community Service Awards

Public: *Hollywood City Manager Cameron Benson*

Private: *Gino Paperella, Gino's Italian Market*

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Community Partnership Award

Patrick Mason, SUN Credit Union

The Stepping Up Award

James Conway, Jimmy Jam Productions

Economic Impact Award

Max Osceola, Seminole Tribe

Glass Ceiling Award

Kari Hess, Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital

Ambassador of the Year

Fran Nathanson, Regions Bank

Small Business Person of the Year

Mayra Hernandez, Bitner Goodman

The ceremony also includes the recognition of the 2009 Board of Directors, and this year's event marks the first time "The Stepping Up Award" will be awarded. This award was introduced by the Chamber staff. The recipient is not only chosen by the Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce's staff, but the recipient is selected based on the time, efforts and dedication he or she has given to the Chamber.

The event's Presenting Sponsor is Hollywood's Community Redevelopment Agency – Beach District.

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