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## **SACRAMENTO'S "BEST OF THE BEST" INDUCTED INTO THE BUSINESS HALL OF FAME** *Firehouse Restaurant honored at SMC's Annual Business Awards*

**SACRAMENTO, CA, Feb 9, 2011**— The Firehouse, voted Sacramento's "Best of the Best," received top honors at this year's Sacramento Metro Chamber's Annual Business and Dinner Awards, earning a prestigious place in the Business Hall of Fame.

The award comes on the heels of The Firehouse's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and speaks to the restaurant's level of excellence, both in terms of service and quality of food, as well as its storied history and award-winning wine list.

"At The Firehouse, we strive for the utmost quality – in food, fine wine, ambiance and hospitality," Owner Lloyd Harvego said. "It's extremely gratifying to see our hard work pay off with an honor of this magnitude. Receiving the award alongside Pacific Coast Building Products and Roebbelen Contractors made the honor extra special, as both companies have a long, prestigious history."

Along with the induction and award, The Firehouse also received an impressive number of certificates from local and state entities, including the following:

- **A Congressional Record from the U.S. House of Representatives**
- **Special Congressional Recognition from the U.S. House of Representatives**
- **Special Congressional Recognition from the U.S. Congress**
- **Certificate of Recognition from the California State Senate**
- **Certificate of Recognition from the California State Assembly**
- **Certificate of Recognition from the Elk Grove City Council**
- **Certificate of Recognition from the Yolo County Board of Supervisors**
- **Certificate of Recognition from the City of Sacramento**

- **Certificate of Recognition from the City of Roseville**
- **Certificate of Recognition from the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors**
- **Certificate of Recognition from the City of Woodland**
- **Certificate of Achievement from Sacramento County Supervisor**
- **Commendation from the County of Placer Board of Supervisors**

Upon receiving the award, Harvego thanked Firehouse guests and staff for their continued support.

“Being inducted into the Business Hall of Fame is a great honor, one that comes as a result of 50 years of hard work by hundreds of people,” Harvego said. “That, together with the loyalty of our clients is what continues to make The Firehouse such a success.

Over the years, we have worked to not only to meet, but also exceed the expectations of our clients; a goal made possible by the hard work and dedication of our staff, led by Mario Ortiz, who has been with The Firehouse for more than 37 years.”

**ABOUT THE FIREHOUSE:**

*Named in Zagat “America’s Top Restaurants 2009,” The Firehouse is the most award-winning restaurant in the Sacramento region. Known for the most extensive wine collection in the Central Valley, The Firehouse specializes in delicious cuisine and premium wines, and offers a setting that features storied architecture and design. Housed in a historical landmark in Old Sacramento, the restaurant features weekday lunch services and dinner served daily. Dining options are as versatile as a breathtaking courtyard or one of many exquisite dining rooms, each a perfect space for any meal, regardless of the occasion. The Firehouse is also home to special events throughout the year including weddings and regular wine tastings in Sacramento’s only authentic underground wine cellar. For more information about The Firehouse, visit [www.FirehouseOldSac.com](http://www.FirehouseOldSac.com) or call (916) 442-4772 for reservations.*

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