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CITY OF EL MONTE NAMES NANCY KENNON ITS 2010 SENIOR OF THE YEAR

El Monte, Calif. – Each year, the Los Angeles County Commission on Aging and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors proclaim the month of May as “Older Americans Recognition Month.” Each city in the County is asked to nominate one individual, age 60 or over, who has shown exceptional service as an outstanding example in his/her community. As a result, the Senior Presidents’ Council of the City of El Monte, Community & Senior Services Division have chosen Nancy Kennon as its ‘2010 Senior of the Year’ for her active and committed community involvement in El Monte.

A special ceremony given by the Los Angeles County Commission on Aging will honor Kennon, along with other Senior-of-the-Year nominees from cities throughout Los Angeles County (Supervisory Districts one, two, three and four), on Monday, May 10, 2010. The Senior Presidents’ Council and City of El Monte Community & Senior Services Division will also honor Kennon at a special luncheon, to be held at the Jack Crippen Multipurpose Senior Center, 3120 N. Tyler Ave., El Monte, on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at 10 a.m.

“I was so surprised and overwhelmed when I found out I had been nominated for this wonderful award,” said Kennon. “I have lived in El Monte nearly my entire life and it has been so fulfilling to serve my community. I’m very thankful to be recognized in this way.”

Born in Bolivar, Missouri, Kennon moved to El Monte with her family at the age of 5. Kennon settled as a resident of El Monte and has become a pillar in the community through her many years of dedicated service. Together with her husband Ron, Kennon opened her own business in El Monte, “Nancy’s Curling House,” which is well known for supporting many local organizations and sponsoring dinners for various community events.

Always committed to making a difference in people’s lives, Kennon participates in fundraisers for the Cancer Society; co-chaired the City’s annual 2010 Relay for Life; and has been an active member of the Moose Lodge for more than 50 years, hosting all the memorial receptions for the Lodge for more than 35 years. Both Kennon and her late husband, Ron, received the City tile from the City of El Monte for their dedicated service. Kennon has also received the ‘College of Regents Degree’ from the Moose Lodge, and countless awards from the City’s local Parent Teacher Association. Currently, she is the president of the El Monte Police Canine Association, and continues with a long-standing

tradition of hosting an annual 'Appreciation Dinner' for the El Monte City Council, Police, Fire and general employees.

"Nancy has been a long-time dedicated supporter and resident of the City of El Monte and her contributions to the City have been very valuable," said Emily Ishigaki, El Monte City Councilwoman. "I am very proud to call her El Monte's 2010 Senior of the Year. She very much deserves this honor."

For more information, and for tickets to the event, please call (626) 580-2210.

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