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PACFED PRESIDENT JIM GARRISON RECEIVES EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP AWARD FROM THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF THE TEAMSTERS NATIONAL BLACK CAUCUS

(Glendale, Calif. – Feb. 9, 2018) Pacific Federal President Jim Garrison will be awarded with the Excellence in Leadership Award by the Southern California Chapter of the Teamsters National Black Caucus (TNBC) at its annual awards luncheon on Saturday, March 11 in Long Beach, Calif.

A prominent and accomplished business leader with a passion for community service, Garrison will be honored for supporting TNBC’s goals of fostering union leadership opportunities for its members and advancing the interests of African-Americans and other minorities in the workplace, government and society.

“The TNBC has a long history of reaching out to workers, actively engaging the community and fighting for the rights of the underrepresented,” said Garrison. “I am deeply appreciative and humbled by this recognition.”

The luncheon, scheduled for 1 p.m. at the Hotel Maya (700 Queensway Dr.), also will honor Chris Silvera, Secretary-Treasurer, Teamsters Local 808, with the Lifetime Achievement Award; Dr. Abraham Ghorbanian, DDS, Aava Dental, with the Labor Solidarity Award; and William “Billy” O’Connell, Colette’s Children’s Home, with the Community Service Award.

A seasoned health care industry executive, Garrison heads one of Southern California’s most experienced employee benefits firms. Headquartered in Glendale, Calif., Pacific Federal, LLC is a subsidiary of Zenith American Solutions, offering employee benefits solutions for nearly 2 million health and retirement plan participants from over 40 offices across the U.S.

Among his many professional endeavors, Garrison serves on the executive board and board of directors for the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and as co-chair of its Health Care Council. He is also a member of the board of directors for the Music Fund of Los Angeles and Valley Industry and Commerce Association Political Action Committee, and also serves on the advisory board for Loyola

Marymount University's Center for the Study of Los Angeles. Garrison is a past California member of the Electoral College and the California Democratic Party Finance Council. He has been honored with the Boys & Girls Club of the San Fernando Valley Golden Hands Award and the Teamsters National Hispanic Caucus Community Award.

Garrison and his wife Rachel reside in Glendale, Calif., and together have four grown children and eight grandchildren. They are past recipients of the March of Dimes Premiere Parents Award. One of their shared passions is making Latino artwork accessible to Angelenos through their support of local artists and public exhibitions.

About Pacific Federal, LLC

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