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BLACK TIE DINNER ANNOUNCES 2010 BENEFICIARIES

19 LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS SELECTED

DALLAS (April 9, 2010) – Black Tie Dinner has identified 19 local organizations and the Human Rights Campaign Foundation as this year’s beneficiaries. The annual gala dinner will be held November 6, 2010, at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel.

“The theme for this year’s Black Tie Dinner is ‘Stand Strong.’ That’s a perfect way to describe what our 2010 Beneficiaries do each and every day,” said Co-Chair Ron Guillard. “Each of these deserving organizations stands strong as they work tirelessly to provide hope for their clients and constituents.”

The local organizations were selected by the Black Tie Dinner Board of Directors, through a detailed examination and rating process. The application questions focus on the financial and organizational health and stability of the applicant. Each organization is also evaluated on their service to the North Texas GLBT community, including the quality and impact of programs, services and activities.

Co-Chair Nan Arnold added, “Our 2010 Beneficiaries are a major inspiration to the entire community, including everyone involved with Black Tie Dinner. We’re proud that, through Black Tie Dinner, individuals and our sponsors support these organizations that provide so much to the North Texas GLBT community.”

BLACK TIE DINNER, INC.

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The 2010 Black Tie Dinner beneficiaries are:

Human Rights Campaign Foundation (national beneficiary)
AIDS Arms
AIDS Interfaith Network
AIDS Outreach Center
AIDS Resources of Rural TX
AIDS Services Dallas
Celebration Community Church
Congregation Beth El Binah
Equality Texas Foundation
Health Services of North Texas
Home for the Holidays
Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund
Legacy Counseling
Legal Hospice of Texas
Northaven United Methodist Church
Resource Center Dallas
The Women's Chorus of Dallas
Turtle Creek Chorale
White Rock Friends
Youth First Texas

About Black Tie Dinner

Black Tie Dinner, Inc. is a non-profit organization that raises funds for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender supportive organizations through a premier event of empowerment, education and entertainment in partnership with the community. The event has headlined local and national celebrities and leaders such as Maya Angelou, Alan Cumming, Geena Davis, Goldie Hawn, Governor Ann Richards, Sharon Stone, Lily Tomlin, Martin Sheen, Kenneth Cole and, most recently, San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom.

Black Tie Dinner began in Dallas in 1982 to help support the Human Rights Campaign with 140 guests in attendance at the first dinner, which raised \$6,000.

In 2009, Black Tie Dinner contributed \$1.04 million to 19 local beneficiaries and the Human Rights Campaign Foundation. In its 28-year history, Black Tie Dinner has distributed nearly \$14 million.

The 2010 Black Tie Dinner will be held at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel Nov. 6. For more information about the Black Tie Dinner or this year's event, call 972-733-9200, Ext. 1 or visit www.blacktie.org.