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BREATHE California of Los Angeles County – 2018 BREATH of Life Awards®

2018 BREATH of Life Awards® honors key civic leaders and corporations in promoting clean air and healthy lungs



(Left to Right) Marc Carrel, President & CEO of BREATHE LA with Xavier Becerra, the Attorney General, and Steven L. Bryson, BREATHE LA Chairman of the Board

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., MAY 4, 2018 – BREATHE LA celebrated its 115th year of improving air quality and protecting lung health by honoring key civic leaders and corporations at the 2018 BREATH of Life Awards® on Friday, April 27th at the La Brea Tar Pits Museum in Los Angeles.

“BREATHE LA is grateful for the outpouring support and generosity that we received at the 2018 BREATH of Life Awards®,” said Marc Carrel, President and Chief Executive Officer of BREATHE LA. “Thanks to the tremendous support of our sponsors and our amazing honorees: Cummins Westport Inc., Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, the Attorney

General, Xavier Becerra, and the Chief Executive Officer of the Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation, Terry Tamminen, our event was a great success.”

BREATHE LA was thrilled to recognize the following corporate and civic leaders for their accomplishments focused on promoting clean air and healthy lungs through research, education, advocacy, and technology.

Cummins Westport received the Innovation Award for developing a heavy-duty truck engine that is 90-percent cleaner than the current federal standard.

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority received the Community Impact Award for their efforts in reducing air pollution by incorporating sustainable best practices into their operations and programs.

The 33rd Attorney General of the State of California, Xavier Becerra, received the Civic Leadership Award for his efforts



(Left) Tom Swenson, Business Development Manager at Cummins Westport Inc. and Dwight Robinson, Lake Forest City Council Member and Governing Board Member of the South Coast Air Quality Management District



(Left) Stephanie Wiggins, Deputy Chief Executive Officer of Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and Hasan Ikhmeta, Executive Director of Southern California Association of Governments

in the Court of Law to protect the environment and ensure that Californians can breathe clean air and drink clean water.

And the 2018 Breath of Life Award recipient, Terry Tamminen, whose life's work has been to improve our world by overseeing numerous global environmental and climate change initiatives so that we can live on a more sustainable and healthy planet.



(Left) Terry Tamminen, Chief Executive Officer of the Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation and Matt Peterson, President and Chief Executive Officer of LA Cleantech Initiative

Guests at the event enjoyed a wonderful dinner service provided by Patina Catering and an exclusive experience at the La Brea Tar Pits Museum. Major sponsors for the event included:

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BREATHE California of Los Angeles County

Breathe California of Los Angeles County (BREATHE LA) is a 501(c)(3) local public benefit nonprofit organization committed to clean air and greater lung health for Los Angeles County residents; our work is significant because everyone has a stake in the air we breathe. Our work at BREATHE LA is uniquely positioned in the community because we provide services at the crossroads of the environment and health. We promote our quality-of-life initiatives through community education and awareness efforts, particularly committed to improving lung health among those most disproportionately affected by poor air quality and greater incidence of chronic lung disease.

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