

Bryce Harlow Foundation Announces Recipients of its 2017 Awards

WASHINGTON, D.C., February 21, 2017 – The Bryce Harlow Foundation, the national capital’s premier organization supporting the professions of lobbying and government advocacy, today announced the recipients of its 2017 awards.

Senator Lamar Alexander (R-Tennessee) was selected to receive the prestigious Bryce Harlow Award, which honors an elected official whose career is built on championing the principles of integrity, dedication and professionalism -- echoing the work and life of the late Bryce Harlow. Serving Tennessee since 2002, Alexander chairs the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, where he is working on legislation to bring safe drugs and medical devices to doctors' offices and patients' medicine cabinets more quickly. Alexander is also chairman of the Senate Energy and Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee, where he works to boost funding for basic energy research and invest in our inland waterways and harbors. “We are delighted to present this award to Chairman Alexander, who exemplifies best practices in the development of public policy – through open discussion, honest exchange and good decision-making on behalf of the American people,” said Craig Purser, chairman of the Bryce Harlow Foundation.

Former Congressman Dave McCurdy (D-Oklahoma) will receive the Bryce Harlow Business Government Relations Award, which is given annually to a leader in government advocacy in recognition of an exemplary career in the profession. McCurdy joined the American Gas Association (AGA) as president and CEO in February 2011. Prior to that, he served for four years as president and CEO of the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers (Alliance), and for eight years as president and CEO of the Electronic Industries Alliance (EIA). Before his tenure at EIA, McCurdy had a distinguished career in Congress, spending 14 years (1981-1995) in the House of Representatives as representative of the Fourth Congressional District of Oklahoma. He attained numerous leadership positions, including Chairman of the House Intelligence Committee. Both awards will be presented during the foundation’s Annual Awards Dinner to be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, D.C. Tickets for the event can be

purchased at www.bryceharlow.org. Proceeds go to help outstanding graduate students who expect to pursue careers in government advocacy.

About the Bryce Harlow Foundation

The Bryce Harlow Foundation was established in 1981 in honor of the late Bryce Harlow to promote integrity within the lobbying profession and to increase the understanding of its essential role in the development of sound public policy. Bryce Harlow, who served under four U.S. presidents, established the first White House Congressional Liaison Office and served as its director during the Eisenhower and Nixon administrations. For more information or to make a tax-deductible donation, please visit www.bryceharlow.org.

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