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UNION BANK OF CALIFORNIA DONATES \$150,000 TO NAWBO LOS ANGELES FOR LEADERSHIP & LEGACY AWARDS LUNCHEON

Los Angeles – Union Bank of California has pledged \$150,000 to the Los Angeles Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) for the next three years for its annual Leadership & Legacy Awards Luncheon and has been named the event Presenting/Platinum sponsor. The awards luncheon, which pays tribute to top achievers among women leaders who have established a legacy of entrepreneurial excellence and contributed significantly to the community, will be held March 16, 2007, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

“We made this pledge because we believe in partnerships that embrace, inspire and support both aspiring female entrepreneurs, as well as established women business owners,” said JoAnn Bourne, executive vice president with Union Bank. “NAWBO-LA’s effort to serve as a catalyst for the success of women entrepreneurs is integral to the bank’s mission to invest in the communities it serves. Working together, the economic landscape of the Los Angeles County will change with the increase of thriving women-owned businesses.”

According to Helen Han, CEO of NAWBO-LA, the event is expected to draw more than 1,200 business owners, community leaders, media, dignitaries and celebrities. This year’s 21st annual event will feature Emmy Award-winning KCAL 9 News co-anchor Sylvia Lopez. Five women at the award ceremony will receive prestigious NAWBO-LA awards, and two more will be inducted into the NAWBO-LA Hall of Fame.

“The unique roll that we play in the business community is one that we take seriously,” said Han. “We are not merely organizing an event – our goal is to highlight the power and influence of women entrepreneurs. By sharing the success stories of each of our honorees, we

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have a unique opportunity to further our mission of propelling women into economic, social and political spheres of leadership and to create a legacy for the next generation of women. We are very proud of NAWBO-LA's partnership with Union Bank of California and we truly appreciate their long-term commitment to the success of women entrepreneurs.”

Established in 1953, the Union Bank of California Foundation serves as the agent for charitable contributions made by Union Bank of California, N.A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of UnionBanCalCorporation, a publicly traded San Francisco-based bank holding company (NYSE:UB). Throughout its history, the Foundation represents the bank's investment and commitment to help meet the charitable needs of the communities it serves.

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