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PORTOLA HOTEL & SPA AWARDED THE 2016 SECRETARY OF DEFENSE EMPLOYER SUPPORT FREEDOM AWARD



Monterey, CA, March 7, 2017 - After being named an official finalist by California State Chair, James P. Bombs, Portola Hotel & Spa of Monterey, CA has been awarded the 2016 Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award for its high level of support shown for their Guard and Reserve employees. The award is presented annually to only 15 employer finalists by the Secretary of Defense.

The Department of Defense recognizes the contribution of the civilian employees, many of whom provide significant support to their employees who serve in the Guard and Reserve. The Freedom Award is the highest recognition given by the U.S. government to employers for their support of their employees who serve in the National Guard and Reserve.

"It has been a privilege to work with, protect and recognize our Guard and Reserve employees. Achieving the Freedom Award is an honor that we hope to continue to recognize within our workplace," said Janine Chicourrat, General Manager of Portola Hotel & Spa.

Along with the award, Portola Hotel & Spa has been listed as a patriotic supporter of its employees and received a Statement of Support (SoS) that indicates awareness of the Federal Law USERRA.

About The Freedom Award:

The Freedom Award was instituted in 1996 by the Secretary of Defense to recognize the many exemplary ways employers support their National Guard and Reserve employees. The Freedom Award is the highest recognition given by the U.S. Government to employers for their support of their employees who serve in the National Guard and Reserve. Nominations must come from Guard or Reserve members who are employed by the organization they are nominating, or from a family member of a Guard or Reserve military service member.

For more information on the Freedom Award and this year's recipients, visit the Web site: <http://www.freedomaward.mil/>

About Portola Hotel & Spa:

Portola Hotel & Spa is Monterey's AAA Four Diamond and first and only U.S. Green Building Council LEED® Certified hotel. The full-service hotel offers guests a rich, historical ambiance, with residential style and a dedicated staff to ensure an unparalleled guest experience. The hotel features 379 nautically inspired guest rooms and suites, ranging from 400 to 1,000 square feet.



Portola Hotel & Spa is home to Jacks Restaurant and Lounge and Peter B's Brewpub, the Monterey Peninsula's original craft brewery. In addition, overnight guests have access to the hotel's spa and fitness facilities, complete with steam room, sauna, outdoor pool and Jacuzzi. The 6,000-square-foot Spa on the Plaza offers beautifully appointed treatment rooms and an extensive spa menu of signature treatments.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.portolahotel.com/>



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