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SACRAMENTO RESIDENT, LAUREL PERRY, HONORED AT COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS

SACRAMENTO, CA - (June 23, 2009) – Nine of Sacramento's unsung heroes were honored recently at the Third Annual Molina Healthcare of California Community Champions Awards dinner at Masonic Temple in Sacramento.

“Molina Healthcare is proud to honor Laurel Perry with the Education Award, for her dedication in working with adults with developmental disabilities,” said Lisa Rubino, President of Health Molina Healthcare of California. “Her spirit of service, commitment and caring embodies the philosophy of our founder, and we are privileged to recognize her contributions.”

Molina Healthcare of California Community Champions Awards was created to in 2006 to recognize the everyday heroes in our midst. The program's goal is to honor individuals and support agencies that inspire others through selflessness, extraordinary service and contributions that positively affect the health, well-being and lives of those around them. The Community Champions is named in honor of Molina Healthcare's physician founder, Dr. C. David Molina.

The honorees and guests listened to a musical performance by The MET Sacramento.

In addition to Laurel Perry, this year's Molina Healthcare Community Champions Award recipients are:

- **Robyn Raphael**, received the Advocacy and Civic Leader Award. She was nominated by UC Davis Health Systems.
- **Reverend Tammie Denyse**, Founder and President, received the Faith Based Organization Award. She was nominated by Carrie's TOUCH.
- **Sue Peppers**, received the Health Care Media Award and was nominated by Peppers TV.
- **Stephanie Walton, M.D.**, received the Healthcare Professional Award and was nominated by Walton Pediatrics.
- **Frank and Monica Victorio**, received the Students and Youth Award. They were nominated by Moral Values Program (MVP).
- **Beverly Saldivar**, received the Support Groups and Service Clubs Award and was nominated by American Cancer Society.
- **Edward Evans**, received the Volunteer Award and was nominated by Cordova Community Food Locker (CCFL).



Caption:

Pictured: Laurel Perry watches a surprise video of her son, who is serving in the military in Iraq, during Molina Healthcare's Community Champions in Sacramento.

Laurel Perry received the Education Award for extraordinary service and civic contributions over the past 17 years with United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Sacramento. In addition to a trophy named in honor of Molina Healthcare's physician founder, Dr. C. David Molina, Laurel Perry received a \$1000, which she is using to fund programs and services that improve the independency, productivity and quality of life of individuals with disabilities and their families.

About Molina Healthcare

Molina Healthcare, Inc. is a multi-state managed care organization that arranges for the delivery of health care services to persons eligible for Medicaid, Medicare, and other government-sponsored programs for low-income families and individuals. Altogether, Molina Healthcare's ten licensed health plan subsidiaries in California, Florida, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Utah, and Washington currently serve approximately 1.3 million members. More information about Molina Healthcare, Inc. and Molina Healthcare of California can be obtained at www.molinahealthcare.com.

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