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CIANJ AND COMMERCE MAGAZINE TEAM UP TO RECOGNIZE ENTERPRISING WOMEN IN COMMERCE

Glen Ridge, NJ (August 18, 2021) – The Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey (CIANJ) and COMMERCE magazine hosted their first annual Enterprising Women in Commerce Awards Reception – paying tribute to the achievements, determination and dedication of a select group of women.

Fifteen women were recognized as Enterprising Women in Commerce in their respective industries. Two women received spotlight awards – RoseMary Klie, Executive Director, Bergen New Bridge Medical Center Foundation, received the One to Watch Award and JoAnn Coyne, Vice President, Performance Materials, Specialty Products Division, Minerals Technologies Inc., received the Platinum Award. The reception, held at the Glen Ridge Country Club, was attended by more than 140 people. CIANJ & COMMERCE also recognized women as honorable mentions in each category, including the spotlight awards.

"These Enterprising Women in Commerce inspire and encourage others daily and are leaving their mark in their chosen professions," said Anthony Russo, President of CIANJ. "CIANJ and COMMERCE magazine are thrilled to be able to come together to honor these women who truly deserve to be in the spotlight for their accomplishments."

CIANJ is a statewide business advocacy organization, representing more than 900 corporate members from every industry sector. The organization asked the business community to nominate women they thought should be recognized. These nominations became a special section of the August issue of COMMERCE magazine.

"This award program grew out of CIANJ's Women in Commerce Forum that creates networking, educational and philanthropic opportunities to female members of the association," said William Hanson, President, NAI Hanson, and Chair of CIANJ's Board of Directors. "I congratulate these women who are achieving extraordinary heights in their careers and are inspiring the next generation of leaders."

The honorees were selected by an independent panel of judges, which included Helen Archontou, CEO, YWCA Northern New Jersey, Michele Brown, Principal/CEO and Certified

Executive Coach, IntuAction Coaching and Jemi Lucey, Partner, Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP and immediate past president of the New Jersey Women's Lawyers Association.

A highlight of the reception was the inspirational keynote address given by New Jersey Hall of Fame member Linda Bowden, immediate past CEO & President of PNC Bank.

The women honored as Enterprising Women in Commerce included:

Accounting

Melissa A. Dardani, CPA, MAcc, Founder and Managing Member, MD Advisory

Engineering & Architecture

Kim Vierheilig, Vice President, Managing Principal, AECOM

Environmental

Jennifer Solewski, Vice President, Business & Technical Development, Bayshore Family of Companies

Financial Industries

Ramelle Massey, President and CEO, Massey Insurance

<u>Healthcare</u>

Amy Mansue, President, Inspira Health Network

Higher Education

Dr. Sue Henderson, President, New Jersey City University

Human Resources

Deena Rosendahl, Partner, Kaufman, Semeraro & Liebman

<u>Infrastructure</u>

Cindy Myer, President, Ridgewood Moving Services

International Trade

Wendy Shen, President/CEO, FLOMO/Nygala Corp.

<u>Legal</u>

Camille V. Otero, Chair, Environmental Group, Gibbons P.C.

Manufacturing

Michele Logan, Co-Founder, Special Advisor & Board Member, CompoSecure

Marketing

Joan McGeough, Chief Marketing Officer, The DAK Group

Non-Profit

Joetta Clark Diggs, Founder and President, Joetta Clark Diggs Sports Foundation

Real Estate & Development

Julia D'Agostino, VP, JD Companies

Technology

Kim Germain, Senior Director of Client Engagement, Safari Solutions

One to Watch Award

RoseMary Klie, Executive Director, Bergen New Bridge Medical Center Foundation

Platinum Award

JoAnn Coyne, Vice President, Performance Materials, Specialty Products Division, Minerals Technologies Inc.

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