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## SMALL BUSINESS LEADERS AWARDS

### PART I: NOMINATION FORM

**DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2014 (5:00 P.M.)**      Date/Time Received: \_\_\_\_\_

#### *Nominees are individuals who...*

- Are small business owners and/or partners or major stockholders of a small business.
- Are active in their business' day-to-day activity and involved in the major decision making process.
- Demonstrate that their businesses are financially stable.
- Reside in: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina or Wilson County. Employed in Bexar County.
- Non-Profit applicants must provide a copy of their IRS Tax ID or a copy of their Articles of Incorporation
- Veteran Small Business applicants must provide a copy of their STRCA Certification.
- Employ 99 or less full-time employees.
- Submit completed forms to North Chamber by deadline date/time of **Friday, April 11, 2014, 5:00 p.m.**
- Agree to attend the Small Business Leaders Awards on **Tuesday, July 22, 2014, at OMNI Hotel at the Colonnade.**
- Agree to provide the North Chamber photos and biographies for video production.
- Have not received the following awards: Career Achievement, Overall Small Business Leader of the Year, Small Business Leader of the Year.
- Are not current members of the North Chamber Board of Directors.

#### **NOMINEE: FINALISTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY MONDAY, April 28, 2014 (5:00 p.m.)**

**Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company/Organization Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title/Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Business Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business/Personal Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Description:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Month and Year Founded:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number of Full Time Employees:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### **NOMINATOR:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company/Organization Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Business Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### **To Reserve Your Sponsorship,**

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### **PART II: NOMINEE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

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#### *Instructions for completing this section:*

- Please complete a response for each category for which you want consideration.
- Please respond with required criteria using 1,000 words (*approx. 10 lines, single space, 11 pt font*) or less per section.
- You may use (1) one additional page to list any awards and honors you have received.
- You may attach up to (3) three marketing pieces, publications, financial statements, or other supporting information

#### *Additional information regarding your nomination:*

- Information provided to the North Chamber is treated as confidential and is reviewed solely for award selection.
- Biographies, photos, articles, marketing/promotional materials, publications, financial statements and other supporting information you provide will not be returned.
- The 2014 Small Business Leader of the Year Award is presented to a leader who demonstrates excellence in all categories and whose business has been established for at least 3 years.
- The selection process *does not* include an interview.

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### **I. BUSINESS INNOVATION**

*Provide specific examples of outstanding creativity in your development of a new product or service, or in differentiating an existing product or service in a unique manner.*

### **II. COMMUNITY SERVICE**

*List all levels of participation. Include length of service and offices held in civic and service organizations such as charitable activities, political pursuits, religious groups, chambers of commerce, industry/professional associations, etc. Involvement as a company effort may be included (walk-a-thon, food/blood drives, etc.)*

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### **III. EMPLOYEE RELATIONS**

*Cite specific examples of how you enhanced employee relations within your small business through special programs, benefits, support, training or education.*

### **IV. BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENT**

*Cite specific examples of your company's business achievement through dramatic sales increases, profitability increases, and personnel increases. Include descriptions and dates of such milestones.*

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### **V. NEW BUSINESS**

*If your business has been in operation for less than (3) three years and more than (1) one year as of **December 31, 2013**, then describe your business and your vision, and detail your specific notable accomplishments since the inception of this business.*

### **VI. CAREER ACHIEVEMENT**

*If your small business has been in operation for several years, please describe/demonstrate how your role as a small business owner established you as a community leader and how your career provides an example and inspiration for others to follow.*

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### **VII. NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION [501 (c)(3)]**

*Please describe your mission statement and those it serves. Attach a detailed list of your Board of Directors/Board of Governors. How does your organization serve as an example and inspiration for others to follow? Describe specific examples of how your operations, leadership, team and deliverables/services set you apart from other non-profits to achieve success financially, in your industry and among those you serve. Describe how your organization sets itself apart as a community leader.*

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### **VIII. VETERAN OWNED AND VETERAN CERTIFIED**

*Provide details pertaining to length and branch of military service along with a copy of either a Veteran-Owned Business Certification or of a Service -Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Certification. Describe how long you have been in business, the nature of your business, the number of your employees, any business awards or accolades you have received and how your military service has prepared you for being an entrepreneur or how it has influenced your business operations.*

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