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MICHAEL BLOOMBERG AND OUTSTANDING FEDERAL WORKERS TO BE HONORED AT 2019 SERVICE TO AMERICA MEDALS GALA

WASHINGTON – On Wednesday, October 16, the nonprofit, nonpartisan Partnership for Public Service will present its annual Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals to six extraordinary civil servants whose accomplishments are making a meaningful difference throughout the country and around the world. Now in its 18th year, the Service to America Medals are known as the premier awards program recognizing federal government excellence.

As part of the evening’s festivities, the Partnership will present its second annual Spirit of Service award to Michael R. Bloomberg, founder of Bloomberg LP and Bloomberg Philanthropies, and the 108th Mayor of New York City. The Partnership will also recognize the extraordinary public service career of Paul A. Volcker by renaming its Career Achievement Medal in his honor—an award made possible through a generous contribution from Ray and Barbara Dalio.

WHAT: 2019 Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals awards ceremony

WHO: Service to America Medal recipients (call for embargoed list of 2019 winners)

  Spirit of Service Award recipient Michael R. Bloomberg, founder of Bloomberg LP and Bloomberg Philanthropies, and the 108th Mayor of New York City

  Emcee Andrea Mitchell, NBC News’ chief foreign affairs correspondent and host of MSNBC’s “Andrea Mitchell Reports”

  Medal presenters and distinguished guests include:

  • Alex Azar, secretary, Department of Health and Human Services
  • Robert Wilkie, secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs
  • Justin Muzinich, deputy secretary, Department of the Treasury
  • Stephen Censky, deputy secretary, Department of Agriculture
  • James Byrne, deputy secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs
• Francis Collins, director, National Institutes of Health
• Gene Dodaro, comptroller general of the United States, Government Accountability Office
• Lisa Gordon-Hagerty, administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration
• Rodney Hood, chairman, National Credit Union Administration
• Neil Jacobs, acting administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
• James Murray, director, U.S. Secret Service
• Josephine Olsen, director, Peace Corps
• Robert Redfield, director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
• James Reilly, director, U.S. Geological Survey
• Andrew Saul, commissioner, Social Security Administration
• Robert Sumwalt, chairman, National Transportation Safety Board
• Richard Stone, executive in charge, Veterans Health Administration
• Margaret Weichert, deputy director for management, Office of Management and Budget
• Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.)
• Sen. Rick Scott (R-Fla.)
• Rep. David E. Price (D-N.C.)
• Rep. Jamie Raskin (D-Md.)
• Rep. Lauren Underwood (D-Ill.)
• Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-Fla.)
• Dina Powell McCormick, former deputy national security advisor for strategy
• Charles Bolden, former administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration
• Sean O’Keefe, former administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration
• Thomas W. Ross, president, The Volcker Alliance
• Max Stier, president and CEO, Partnership for Public Service

WHEN: Wednesday, October 16, 5:30 p.m. reception, 6:30 p.m. awards dinner

WHERE: Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium
1301 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20240

BACKGROUND: Named after the Partnership for Public Service’s late founder who was inspired by President John F. Kennedy’s call to serve in 1963, the Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals recognize dedicated civil servants who have made important contributions to the health, safety and prosperity of our country. Since its inception in 2002, the program has honored more than 500 outstanding federal employees who have made a difference and improved the lives of Americans and others around the world. An estimated 600 senior federal
government leaders, members of Congress, community leaders and corporate partners are expected to be in attendance.

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About the Partnership for Public Service
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