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CHP TAKES HIGHEST HONORS IN ANNUAL NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CHALLENGE

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The California Highway Patrol (CHP) today announced the receipt of a national award for its traffic safety programs.

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) has awarded the CHP the prestigious Clayton J. Hall Memorial Award in the 2013 National Law Enforcement Challenge (NLEC). In addition to the Clayton J. Hall Memorial award, the CHP also received top honors in the State Police and Highway Patrol, Impaired Driving, and Distracted Driving special awards categories.

“The NLEC is a method for the CHP to showcase our traffic safety programs and see where we can improve the service we provide to the people of California,” said CHP Commissioner Joe Farrow. “The results of this competition show the hard work and dedication our officers have demonstrated while providing the highest levels of Safety, Service, and Security.”

During the first National Chiefs Challenge in 1991, Clayton J. Hall, a director at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and a highway safety leader who helped develop many safety programs, including the NLEC, died. Each year, the program honors him by presenting the Clayton J. Hall Memorial Award to the law enforcement agency that submits the most comprehensive traffic safety program in the competition. This award signifies the highest honors available in the NLEC and is a direct reflection of the outstanding work of CHP officers in the field and the education efforts of our public information officers.

The NLEC is a nationwide law enforcement awards program that recognizes excellence in traffic safety, with the goal of reducing the number of tragedies that occur on our nation’s roadways. By participating in the challenge, agencies have the opportunity to learn from one another and improve their own traffic safety programs. The challenge highlights a law enforcement agency’s policy, training, employee recognition, community outreach, enforcement of applicable laws, and the overall effectiveness of their efforts in addressing collisions caused by speeding, impaired driving, and occupant restraint violations.

The CHP received the award for overall first place and top honors during the IACP's Annual Conference and Expo, held October 25 - 28, 2014, in Orlando, Florida.

"I am humbled by the efforts showcased in the challenge and honored to accept these awards on behalf of the men and women of the CHP," added Commissioner Farrow.

The IACP is a dynamic organization that serves as the professional voice of law enforcement. Building on its past success, the IACP addresses cutting edge issues confronting law enforcement through advocacy, programs and research, as well as training and other professional services. The IACP is a comprehensive professional organization that supports the law enforcement leaders of today and develops the leaders of tomorrow.

For a complete list of the NLEC Award winners, go to
<http://www.theiacp.org/Portals/0/Images/IACP/2014%20NLEC%20Winners%20Listing%20-%20FINAL.pdf>



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