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Natchitoches, Louisiana Pharmacist, Nolton W. Causey, Jr., Honored for Outstanding Community Service

Washington, DC – The Louisiana Pharmacists Association (LPA) has selected Nolton W. Causey, Jr. as the recipient of the 2011 Bowl of Hygeia Award for outstanding community service. Causey was presented with the award during the 2011 LPA Annual Convention & Trade Show, July 14-16, 2011. The Award is sponsored by the American Pharmacists Association Foundation and the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations.

After graduating from Northeast Louisiana University's pharmacy school, Causey opened Causey's Pharmacy, Inc. This small pharmacy has grown from a small store and one pharmacist operation to now include a wide range of services such as DME, Compounding, IV Infusion, MTM, diabetes educations, immunizations and Long-Term Care. Causey's team now includes over 50 employees – 6 pharmacists, 2 registered nurses, a respiratory therapist and a registered dietician. Causey's Pharmacy was named a Blue Chip Enterprise by Nation's Business magazine was named a Top 100 Northwest Louisiana Business by the LSUS Center for Business and Economic Research.

Causey has always been at the forefront of evolving pharmacy trends. In 1988, he was at the forefront of the generic market developing a successful generic program for the pharmacy. His advocacy was instrumental in passing legislation to support pharmacy including the Louisiana Prompt Pay Act. He is a member of NCPA and APhA, and is a member and has served on the Board of Directors for both LPA and LIPA.

Causey is an active supporter of the Natchitoches Community. He received the Natchitoches Area Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Small Business Award in 1990. He is an active member of First United Methodist Church and serves as an usher each Sunday. Causey served over a decade as President of the Natchitoches Parish Hospital Foundation raising scholarship funds for nursing students. He is also a Past President of the Natchitoches Area Chamber of Commerce. He is a longtime supporter of Northwestern State University academic and athletic programs, St. Mary's Catholic School, and Natchitoches Central High School. Causey continues to support many organizations every year including the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society, the American Legion Boys and Girls State, the Natchitoches Parish Council on Aging, the Natchitoches Sheriff's Office D.A.R.E program, Dixie Youth, D.O.V.E.S., Habitat for Humanity, Methodist Medical Missions, The Boys & Girls Club, the Natchitoches Lions Club, the Service League of Natchitoches and Prudhomme-Rouquier House Foundation, St. Jude's Children's Hospital and the Special Olympics.

Established in 1958, the Bowl of Hygeia Award recognizes pharmacists who possess outstanding records of civic leadership in their communities and encourages pharmacists to take active roles in the affairs of their respective communities. The award is presented annually by participating state pharmacist associations, including those in the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. In addition to service through their local, state and national pharmacy associations, award recipients have devoted their time, talent and resources to a wide variety of causes and community service.

The Bowl of Hygeia is the most widely recognized international symbol for the pharmacy profession and is considered one of the profession's most prestigious awards. The Bowl of Hygeia has been associated with the pharmacy profession since as early as 1796 when the symbol was used on a coin minted for the Parisian Society of Pharmacy. The bowl

represents a medicinal potion and the snake represents healing. Healing through medicine is precisely why the pharmacy profession has adopted the Bowl of Hygeia symbol.

Information regarding contributing to the Bowl of Hygeia future is available by contacting the APhA Foundation at 202-429-7565 or info@aphafoundation.org.

About the American Pharmacists Association Foundation

The APhA Foundation is affiliated with the American Pharmacists Association, the national professional society of pharmacists in the U.S. The APhA Foundation, a nonprofit organization based in Washington, D.C., works to design solutions to medication use problems in America. The APhA Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of consumer health outcomes affected by pharmacy. For more information, please visit the APhA Foundation website <http://www.aphafoundation.org/>.

About the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations

The National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations (NASPA) promotes leadership, sharing, learning, and policy exchange among pharmacy leaders in all 50 states and Washington, DC, and provides education and advocacy to support pharmacists, patients, and communities working together to improve public health. NASPA was founded in 1927 as the National Council of State Pharmacy Association Executives (NCSPA). For more information, please visit the NASPA Web site www.naspa.us.

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