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MAYOR ELAINE SCRUGGS TO RECEIVE EDUCATION VISIONARY AWARD

GLENDALE, Ariz. – Glendale Mayor Elaine Scruggs is the recipient of the prestigious 2009 PEEF Education Visionary Award for her contributions to education in the city.

Scruggs will receive the award at the Fourth Annual Peoria Education Enrichment Foundation (PEEF) Education Visionary Awards Dinner on Thursday, Feb. 26 at the Union Hills Country Club in Sun City.

Since becoming Glendale's mayor in 1993, fostering positive development in young people has been a priority for Scruggs.

From participating in her Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission that engages and inspires high school students to take an active role in their city to her service on the YWCA Advisory Board, Scruggs has made a positive impact on children living in Glendale.

Also, through Scruggs' leadership, Glendale was named the first *Kids at Hope City* in the United States. Kids at Hope is a national youth initiative that mobilizes teachers, police officers, coaches, parents and others in the community to identify and bring out the talents and potential in all school-aged children.

PEEF is a non-profit organization that was founded in 1987 to help enrich and support excellence in public education in the Peoria Unified School District. Some of the school programs that PEEF supports are literacy, science and math, technology, special needs, character building, fine arts and staff development.

For more information on the awards dinner, call 623-486-6046. ###



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