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**Comerica Bank and the Los Angeles Lakers Present Junior Blind of America
President and CEO Miki Jordan with Best of LA Women's Business Award**

***Recognized For Her Outstanding Accomplishments in Philanthropy, Miki Jordan Will
Be Honored During the Lakers Game on Sunday, March 21, 2010.***

Los Angeles, CA, March 16, 2010—An innovator and leader with a lifelong commitment to improving the lives of children and families in Los Angeles, Junior Blind president and CEO, Miki Jordan, will be awarded the Comerica Bank Best of LA Women's Business Award in the category of Women in Philanthropy. Jordan will be recognized on Sunday, March 21, during the half-time show of the Los Angeles Lakers game against the Washington Wizards at the Staples Center.

Since joining Junior Blind in 2006, Miki Jordan has worked ambitiously to build upon the organization's more than 55-year history of helping children and adults who are blind, visually impaired or multi-disabled achieve independence. Under her guidance, Junior Blind has launched three new programs, including an Early Childhood Program, an After School Enrichment Program and a Vision Screening Program for low-income preschoolers, reaching a record number of 10,000 students and family members throughout Los Angeles and Southern California last year.

"I am humbled and honored to be recognized by Comerica Bank and the Los Angeles Lakers for my passion for helping those in need and my commitment to helping improve the lives of children and adults who are living with vision loss and other disabilities," says Jordan.

The daughter of Willie and Fred Jordan, who founded the renowned Fred Jordan Mission in downtown Los Angeles, Jordan gained a deep compassion for helping people at a very early age. Building on that passion, Jordan went on to serve as president and CEO of Para Los Niños, a Los Angeles-based child and family service agency with facilities in downtown Los Angeles and 20 other locations throughout Los Angeles County. Under Jordan's leadership, Para Los Niños was heralded as one of the most effective human services organizations in Los Angeles.

Currently, Jordan serves on the board of VisionServe Alliance and on the board of the Association of Community Human Service Agencies in Los Angeles. She was an active member of the Child Welfare League of America's (CWLA) board and International Projects Advisory Committee. Ms. Jordan is a member of Vistage International, the world's foremost chief executive leadership organization. She was named Nonprofit CEO of the Year in 2005 by the Los Angeles Business Journal, Outstanding Professional on National Philanthropy Day in 1999, and received the Citizen of the Year award from the Lions Club in 1998.

Jordan earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from The University of Texas and a master's degree in organizational management from Chapman University.

ABOUT JUNIOR BLIND OF AMERICA

Since 1953, Junior Blind has helped people of all ages who are blind, visually impaired or multi-disabled achieve independence. Each year, Junior Blind provides services to thousands of individuals and their families through programs that offer innovative and individualized methods of education, recreation, training and rehabilitation. These life-changing programs are designed to empower infants, children, teens and adults to reach their highest level of potential, independence and self-esteem. To learn more, please visit www.juniorblind.org.

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