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MEDIA ALERT**

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Firefighters Honor Those Who Are "Gone, But Not Forgotten"

WHAT: Houston firefighters who are "gone, but not forgotten" will be honored during the Annual Houston Firefighters' Memorial Ceremony.

WHEN: Saturday, March 20, 2010 at 10 a.m.

WHERE: Houston Firefighters' Memorial Garden, Houston Firefighters Relief and Retirement Fund, 4225 Interwood North Parkway.

DETAILS: The annual ceremony recognizes not only those members who have passed away in the line of duty, but also every Houston firefighter who is "gone, but not forgotten." The ceremony takes place in the beautiful garden located on Pension Fund property paying tribute to all firefighters. The garden includes pavers, benches, the "Wall of Honor" and a breathtaking statue ("The Rescue").

Channel 13's Casey Curry will be the Master of Ceremonies, with special remarks by Lt. Governor David Dewhurst, Fire Fighters' Pension Commissioner Lisa Ivie-Miller and Mayor Annise Parker. Members from Fire Station 26 will give remarks for their fellow fallen firefighters, Captain James Harlow and Firefighter Hobbs. A special presentation will also be made in honor of Fire Trainee Cohnway Johnson who collapsed during physical training. Five days later passed away in the hospital.

All HFD members, retirees, family and friends are invited.