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**BRONZE RONALD REAGAN MEDALLIONS INSTALLED IN  
RONALD REAGAN BUILDING AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTER  
ON HIS 98<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY; FEBRUARY 6, 2009**

**WHAT:** (Simi Valley, CA) - The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation announced today that a pair of heroic size bronze medallions – featuring President Ronald Reagan and one of his most inspirational quotes – have been installed in the atrium of the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, D.C.

“This is a wonderful tribute in Ronnie’s memory on the 59<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his 39<sup>th</sup> birthday,” said former first lady Nancy Reagan. “I look forward to seeing them when I visit Washington, D.C. later this year.”

“The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation is honored to present these magnificent handcrafted medallions to the General Services Administration for display in the building that bears the name of our nation’s 40<sup>th</sup> president,” said Frederick J. Ryan, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Reagan Foundation. “In this building, dedicated to international trade, these medallions will serve as a reminder of how President Reagan reached out to promote better relations between the United States and foreign countries.”

Each stone medallion, carved from Indiana limestone and topped with bronze, weighs approximately 1,650 pounds and measures 72” in diameter. The bronze bas relief of President Reagan was sculpted by renowned American artist Chas Fagan of North Carolina and was cast in silicon bronze by Carolina Bronze Sculpture of Seagrove, North Carolina. The second medallion contains a bronze-lettered quotation by President Reagan which says:

**“There are no limits to growth and human progress when men and women  
are free to follow their dreams.”**

**WHERE:** The Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center  
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004

**REAGAN FOUNDATION:** The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum which includes the Air Force One Pavilion, the Center for Public Affairs and the Presidential Learning Center. Located in Simi Valley, California the Library houses over 55 million pages of Gubernatorial, Presidential and personal papers, an extraordinary collection of photographs and film, and over 100,000 gifts and artifacts chronicling the lives of Ronald and Nancy Reagan. It now also serves as the final resting place of America’s 40th President.

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