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Treasurer Shari Freidenrich Named Among Orange County's Most Influential Business Leaders on the "OC 500 List"

Treasurer Shari Freidenrich has been listed on the inaugural "OC 500" list compiled by the Orange County Business Journal in 2016 in the civic leaders' category. The Orange County Business Journal's first-ever "OC 500" features the 500 most influential business people and opinion shapers in Orange County. It includes people driving economic growth in the area, the most powerful business people and those in government, philanthropic, religious and other civic representatives that contribute to the business of community in Orange County. The list was selected after months of research in the various categories.

Some of the key facts identified in her selection were that Freidenrich has been Treasurer of Orange County for six years and previously was the Huntington Beach Treasurer for 15 years, that she had business experience at Boeing Corporation and Deloitte & Touché, that her office invests public funds for safety and liquidity and that she also collects and distributes property taxes for 200 OC agencies. It was also noted that she received the 2013 award for fiscal responsibility form OC Taxpayers Association and that she has a bachelor's degree from Washington State University.

"I am honored to be selected for this prestigious list due to my private and public sector work that have streamlined business operations here in Orange County" states Treasurer Freidenrich "and I will continue to bring Common Sense Changes and fiscal accountability to government to save taxpayer dollars." Shari saved over \$15 million while she was the elected Treasurer for the City of Huntington Beach and has already saved taxpayers over \$825 million since being elected in 2011 as the Orange County Treasurer. Shari is a leader in the municipal treasury area having served as the President for the California Municipal Treasurers Association and the President of the Association of the Public Treasurers of the US and Canada. Shari is currently serving as the Sergeant of Arms for the California Association of County Treasurer-Tax Collectors. Shari recently received the Leadership Award for Public Service from the Orange County Business Council and had previously received the "Rose Award" from the Orange County Taxpayers Association for her work in streamlining business processes and transparency of public records. Collections of secured property taxes are at record levels with FY 2015-16 collections at 99.26%. Property tax payments made using the popular free eCheck program (online payment by bank account) have doubled under Shari's stewardship and are the most efficient and cost-effective way for the County to process these tax payments. For more information about Shari and her work, go to <u>ttc.ocgov.com</u>.



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