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Palo Alto College to present honorary degree to Norma Reyes at Commencement Ceremony

Norma Reyes, who has been active in business and the San Antonio community, will receive an honorary Associate degree during Palo Alto College's Commencement Ceremony at 7 p.m. on May 16 at Freeman Coliseum.

The degree is the eleventh honorary degree approved by the Alamo Colleges Board of Trustees. It is presented for her outstanding public service to the Alamo Colleges and community and her significant contributions to society at large. She will receive a framed certificate and a medallion.

Mrs. Reyes began her career specializing in life insurance at both USAA and John Hancock. She also was a travel agent and worked directly with customers at US Air.

Mrs. Reyes is a board member for the Bexar County Family Justice Center and San Antonio Can High School Development Board, serves as a commissioner for the San Antonio Fiesta Commission, and is a past board member of the Museo Alameda. Avance honored her as Mother of the Year in 2008.

She has been active raising funds for scholarships, including raising a record-breaking amount for the LULAC Council #2 Reina de las Flores program that awarded scholarships to 25 first-time parents and their young children.

Mrs. Reyes is President of Reyes Automotive Group and worked at Reyes Industries, the family business she started with her husband, Fernando, who served as Rey Feo LX. They are parents of three children.

Approximately 450 of the college's graduates are expected to participate in the ceremony where they will receive Associate degrees and Certificates of Completion. In addition, students in the Gateway to College program who have completed their high school requirements will be recognized.

Mayor Julián Castro is the speaker. Palo Alto College, one of the Alamo Colleges, now serves more than 9,000 students.

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