



## Press Release

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### **Carol Tomé to Receive Council for Quality Growth's 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Four Pillar Award** *CEO of UPS Honored for Her Extensive Economic Contributions to Atlanta and Beyond*

ATLANTA - The Council for Quality Growth will honor Carol Tomé, Chief Executive Officer of United Parcel Service, with its 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Four Pillar Award. The prestigious Four Pillar Award recognizes an outstanding individual who demonstrates the 'Four Pillars' of leadership – Quality, Responsibility, Vision, and Integrity – and exemplifies the Council's mission of promoting balanced and responsible growth. This year's Four Pillar Tribute theme, chosen by Tomé is *Lead to Inspire, Serve to Create, Give to Remain*.

"We are incredibly proud to honor such an outstanding leader to receive the Four Pillar Award," said Council for Quality Growth President and CEO Michael Paris. "Carol's influence surpasses our region and state and is a true testament to corporate responsibility and visionary leadership."

The Council for Quality Growth will present Tomé with the award during the 2022 Four Pillar Tribute, presented by Chick-fil-a, Delta Air Lines, and The Home Depot Foundation, on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at the Georgia World Congress Center.

"I'm honored to receive the 2022 Four Pillar Tribute and accept it on behalf of 534,000 UPSers, who move our world forward by delivering what matters," said Tomé on receiving the prestigious award.

Tomé's extraordinary leadership and reputation for innovation undeniably earned her the role of UPS's first female CEO in 2020. Previously, she retired as the CFO of The Home Depot after 24 years of service. Tomé is #12 on Forbes' List of The World's Most Powerful Women of 2021 and is recognized on its 50 Over 50 list of 2021 as well. She serves as a board trustee for Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation and the Atlanta Botanical Garden and is also a member of The Committee of 200, The Buckhead Coalition, and other organizations.

Al Edwards, the Council's 2022 Chairman, and Founder and CEO of Corporate Environmental Risk Management, LLC., also added that, "Carol not only embodies the Four Pillars of Leadership – she has led countless employees, boards, and volunteers in the way of civic and servant leadership. She is moving this region, state, and world forward."

The Council is proud to continue its annual tradition of recognizing extraordinary leaders in our state and world by adding Tomé to the Four Pillar Award's prestigious list of former honorees. Sponsorship information is now available at [www.fourpillartribute.com](http://www.fourpillartribute.com).

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### About the Four Pillar Tribute:

For 33 years the Council for Quality Growth has paid tribute to an outstanding individual in the metro Atlanta region who exemplifies the Council's mission of promoting balanced and responsible growth through an annual leadership tribute gala that recognizes the 'Four Pillars' of leadership – Quality, Responsibility, Vision, and Integrity.

The Four Pillar Award and Tribute is an unparalleled honor that allows the opportunity for the metro Atlanta region and State of Georgia to celebrate the recipient's significant contributions to quality of life, community leadership, and economic development. The gala and award have come to be known as the highest honor bestowed for the contributions. The event provides a platform to align the honorees' impacts on the region and the state with the Council's ambitions and serves as a beacon of inspiration to perpetuate our economic prosperity.

Past recipients of the Council's Four Pillar award include:

1990	Steve Reynolds	2001	Louise Radloff	2012	Sam Massell
1991	Wayne Shackelford	2002	George Busbee	2013	John Portman
1992	J.W. Benefield	2003	F. Wayne Hill	2014	Steve Selig
1993	D. Scott Hudgens	2004	Charlie Brown	2015	Dan Cathy
1994	Wayne H. Mason	2005	Senator Johnny Isakson	2016	Jenny Pruitt
1995	Virgil R. Williams	2006	John Wieland	2017	Governor Nathan Deal
1996	Paul A. Duke	2007	John A. Williams	2018	Paul Bowers
1997	Jim Cowart	2008	Tom Cousins	2019	Larry Gellerstedt
1998	J.D. Caswell	2009	Mayor Shirley Franklin	2020	Doug Hertz
1999	A. Ray Weeks	2010	Arthur M. Blank	2021	Amb. Andrew J. Young
2000	Richard L. Tucker	2011	R. Charles Loudermilk, Sr.		

### About the Council for Quality Growth:

The Council for Quality Growth is a trade organization that works to ensure continued growth and economic success for generations to come by providing advocacy, information, and education to its members. For 37 years, the Council has been committed to the mission of promoting balanced and responsible growth and is proactively involved in the formulation of policy and legislation critical to the growth and development industry. The Council addresses, head-on, strategic economic planning, infrastructure needs, and tough quality-of-life issues throughout the metro Atlanta region and state. <http://www.councilforqualitygrowth.org>

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