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The Asian Business Network Association (ABNA) announced today the names of the six recipients of the 2010 Chinese Canadian Legend Award (listed in alphabetical order): Honourable Mr. Philip Lee, Professor Jinyan Li, Mr. Ming Kong Lu, Dr. Neville G. Poy, Mr. Andrew W. Wong, Dr. Songnian Zhou.

Chinese Canadian Legend recognizes and honours Chinese Canadians who have made **significant contributions to the community through outstanding achievements in their field.**

Mr. Bammy Wong, President of the ABNA, says that this year is the 11th anniversary of Chinese Canadian Legend Award, and seventy-three recipients have been recognized, with their stories published in a book. This spring, a set of these books was donated to the Richard Charles Lee Canada-Hong Kong Library at the University of Toronto, and also the University Of Ottawa Library.

Mr. Bammy Wong also says that ABNA is pleased to have Senator Vivienne Poy and Ms. Maureen Siu, Director of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Canada) as Honorary Patrons of the Chinese Canadian Legend Award. Mr. John Man and Mr. Stephen Siu are Honorary Advisers, while Ms. Alexandra Ngan and Mr. Dennis Au-Yeung continue as Co-chairs. Mrs. Judy San and Mr. Stephen Siu will be the Masters of Ceremony for the award gala.

Co-chair Ms. Alexandra Ngan says this year we are also celebrating the 40th anniversary of official diplomatic relations between Canada and China, and the recipients were selected based on the theme: 'To Bridge....'. She says that the award recipients' struggles against obstacles and their ultimate success provide a source of inspiration for new and old immigrants alike, not just for the Chinese community but also mainstream society.

Co-chair Mr. Dennis Au-Yeung notes that this year three out of the six recipients are from China, and he hopes that through this event, more and more outstanding immigrants from China are presented as role-models for the younger generation in our community.

Mr. Stanley Kwan, Chair of the Selection Committee which consists of nineteen community leaders, says the six recipients are selected after a rigorous evaluation process. The Committee has worked diligently to ensure the nomination and selection process is rigorous, fair and transparent.

Recipients receive accolades with the presentation of an award at the Award Gala and their inspiring stories published in a book - **Chinese Canadian Legend**. Mr. Bammy Wong says that once again the recipients' stories will be written by Mr. Tony Ku, a well-known editor and writer in the community. An English version, translated by Ms. Connie Woo, will also appear in the book. The books will be distributed at the **Chinese Canadian Legend 2010 Award Gala** on October 30th, 2010 at the Sheraton Parkway Toronto North Hotel in Richmond Hill.

Ticket prices for the Chinese Canadian Legend Award Gala are: individual \$150, corporate table: \$2000. For inquiries, please call Camilla Tong at 416 292 6374 or go to www.abna.ca.