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Local Dentist Recognized with Florida Dental Association Lifetime Service Award

PANAMA CITY, Fla. (July 3, 2024) – The Florida Dental Association (FDA) is proud to announce that Dr. Jolene Paramore, of Panama City, was awarded the J. Leon Schwartz Lifetime Service Award at the 2024 FDA Awards Luncheon in Orlando.

Dr. Paramore brings a wealth of experience serving the dental profession and advocating for oral health at the state and national levels. She is a past president of the Bay Dental Society, Northwest District Dental Association, and the FDA – only the second woman to serve as FDA president. In 2010, she was honored as the FDA’s Dentist of the Year. Dr. Paramore also served as chair of the FDA’s Workforce Innovation Task Group, which led the development of Florida’s Action for Dental Health, the FDA’s comprehensive initiative to improve oral health and the overall health of Floridians.

“We are proud to recognize Dr. Paramore for her dedication to dentistry and the oral health of her patients and all Floridians,” said Drew Eason, executive director and CEO of the FDA. “She has made a lasting impact on the dental profession in our state.”

Dr. Paramore is a seventh-generation Floridian and has practiced as a periodontist in Panama City for 30 years. A proud graduate of the University of Florida, she received her dental degree and completed her residency in periodontology at the University of Florida College of Dentistry. She is a fellow of the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

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About the Florida Dental Association

As the state’s premier professional organization representing Florida-licensed dentists, the Florida Dental Association (FDA) serves as Florida’s advocate for oral health. A constituent society of the American Dental Association, the FDA was established in 1884 to ensure patients receive the highest quality of care from dental professionals. The FDA is the leading expert and advocate on issues affecting Florida dentists and the oral health of Floridians. To learn more, visit www.floridadental.org.