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Marjaree Mason Center Announces Leslie Morgan Steiner as Keynote Speaker for 40th Anniversary Top Ten Event

Fresno, CA – July 17, 2023 - Marjaree Mason Center, a leading organization dedicated to ending domestic violence and providing support for survivors, is thrilled to announce Leslie Morgan Steiner as the keynote speaker for their 40th Annual Top Ten Professional Women and Leading Business Awards presented by CalViva Health.

This is the 40th Anniversary of this prestigious awards ceremony honoring local professionals and is expected to bring 1,500 attendees together with the goal of honoring outstanding individuals in our community while also raising awareness of domestic violence. The event will take place on October 18, 2023 at the Fresno Convention & Entertainment Center.

The event keynote speaker, sponsored by Valley Children's Healthcare, is Leslie Morgan Steiner, a highly acclaimed New York Times best-selling author, a renowned columnist for The Washington Post and AARP, a former corporate executive, and an inspiring domestic violence survivor. Her TedTalk "Why Domestic Violence Victims Don't Leave" has over 10 million views. She brings a unique perspective to the conversation surrounding domestic violence and empowers audiences through her personal journey and professional expertise.

Steiner's memoir, "Crazy Love," has resonated with readers worldwide, shedding light on the complexities of abusive relationships and inspiring countless individuals to seek help and take action. As a domestic violence survivor, she brings a profound understanding of survivors' challenges and a message of hope for a brighter future.

Her remarkable story of resilience and dedication to advocating for survivors of domestic violence align with Marjaree Mason Center's mission and her presence will undoubtedly inspire and empower those in attendance.

The 40th Anniversary Top Ten event will pay tribute to ten women who have excelled professionally, served as role models and given back to their communities, as well as one business for its support of women and women's issues. They join an alumni class that has greatly impacted the Central Valley community over the last four decades. Honorees are expected to be announced early August.

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About Marjaree Mason Center

For over 40 years, the Marjaree Mason Center has offered safe housing and support services to adults and their children affected by domestic violence in Fresno County. As the only comprehensive domestic violence agency in Fresno County, the Marjaree Mason Center provides housing, legal services, counseling and education to survivors and youth. The Center was founded in 1979 after the murder of Marjaree Mason, a native of Easton. A graduate of Washington High School and Reedley College, Marjaree lived in Fresno for 31 years and was well known in the community. To contact MMC, call the business center at 559.237.4706, the 24-hour confidential emergency hotline at 559.233.HELP (4357) or help@mmcenter.org, or learn more online at www.mmcenter.org.