Sacramento, CA – After just three years as an affiliate, the ACE Mentor Program of Greater Sacramento received a City Council commendation at last nights Sacramento City Council Meeting. Mayor Kevin Johnson and the Sacramento City Council recognized the more than 8,000 hours of volunteer work put in by area mentors.

A partnership between schools, architects, engineers, construction management companies, trades and professional organizations, ACE awarded more than $300,000 in scholarships to students graduating from programs in California in 2010. More than 300 firms participated statewide, providing over 470 mentors for local programs.

Participating companies adopt a group of 15 to 30 students for the school year and introduce them to careers in the design and construction industries. Programs in California enrolled close to 1,000 students this year. Students and their mentors meet 15 times a year to work on a design project that is presented at the end of the season. The program concludes with the fundraising luncheon where scholarships are presented to the high school seniors who plan to further their education and pursue careers in these industries.

For more information, please visit www.acementor.org.

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