San Francisco, July 13, 2011 – Shartsis Friese is very pleased to announce it has been selected to receive the 2011 Award for Outstanding Corporate Grantmaker by the Association of Fundraising Professionals ("AFP") Golden Gate Chapter. Each year the Golden Gate Chapter marks one day to celebrate the spirit of giving by recognizing exemplars in philanthropy and social change. According to the AFP web site: "Shartsis Friese LLP, one of San Francisco's leading law firms, has demonstrated a commitment to philanthropy over many years by offering its financial and human resources to enhance the Bay Area's cultural and civic life as well as to provide support to our community's most vulnerable children, adults and families." Shartsis Friese is honored to receive this recognition.

The Outstanding Corporate Grantmaker Award recognizes a corporation or its foundation that displays an outstanding commitment to philanthropy not only through its financial support but also by encouraging and motivating others to take leadership roles in philanthropy and community involvement activities. Shartsis Friese, along with seven other award recipients will be honored on National Philanthropic Day at a November 4th luncheon at the St. Francis Hotel. For more information about AFP and the awards, please see: http://afpgoldengate.afpnet.org/NationalPhilanthropyDay/2011_NPD-AwardRecipients.aspx

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