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PASADENA NATIVE RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS NASA AWARD

KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, Fla. (July 2009) – Pasadena native and United Space Alliance employee Patricia Helber was recently honored with NASA's prestigious Astronauts Personal Achievement Award, the Silver Snoopy, in recognition of his support of NASA's Space Shuttle and International Space Station programs at Johnson Space Center (JSC).

Astronaut Piers Sellers presented Helber with the award at JSC. Known by its identifying character from the Charles Schulz comic strip, the Silver Snoopy Award is presented to those NASA and contractor employees who are nominated by an astronaut or manager for their professionalism, dedication and outstanding support that greatly enhances flight safety and mission success during the Space Shuttle program.

Helber was recognized for her dedication and support to the International Space Station training organization including JSC as well as the International Partners in Russia, Canada, Europe and Japan. Patricia's aptitude and dedication helped the Expedition Training Requirements Integration Panel establish policies and procedures vital to the international training effort.

United Space Alliance is a world leader in space operations with extensive experience in all aspects of the field. Headquartered in Houston, USA has 9,300 employees working in Texas, Florida and Alabama. Currently, USA is applying its broad range of capabilities to NASA's Space Shuttle, International Space Station and Constellation programs as well as to space operations customers in the commercial and international space industry sectors.

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