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**YOUNG
PROFESSIONAL**

OF THE YEAR



PAULDING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

NOMINATION PACKAGE

INTRODUCTION

Regardless of where you stand ideologically, we can all agree that year 2020 has changed our lives, businesses, and organizations. The Chamber Board of Directors has taken some time since then to evaluate several programs to reimagine how we accomplish the goals of educating, empowering, and engaging with our business community.

The awards committee, made up of board members had extensive discussions about the current awards, nomination process and options for improving how we recognize excellence in our community. The consensus of the group was that we should focus on individuals within our community that have gone above and beyond within their businesses. The established awards include the Young Professional of the Year, Business Leader of the Year, and the Paulding County Legacy Award. Details about each are below.

Young Professional of the Year: This award shall be presented to an individual (age 20-40) who is achieving a successful career and has made innovative contributions to their company/community. This individual has distinguished themselves as a future leader in the business/organization.

Business Leader of the Year: Replacing the Outstanding Business of the Year, the Business Leader of the Year will be presented to an individual that has excelled within a leadership role in a member business. This individual is innovative, motivating to employees and civically engaged. This recipient may have acquired a long-term record of service or may have made one outstanding contribution that made a major impact in their business, industry and/or community.

Paulding County Legacy Award: Replacing the Volunteer of the Year, the Legacy award recognizes an individual in our community that has given their time and talent to build a better tomorrow. This individual does not have to work at a member business.

The Chamber Awards Committee and Board of Directors know there are so many deserving individuals in our community that help our businesses remain successful. Since the onset of COVID-19 we have seen the resiliency of our business community and the boundless impact individuals in those businesses have on outcomes.

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD

PAULDING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Paulding Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize an individual (age 20-40) who is achieving a successful career and has made innovative contributions to their company/community. This individual has distinguished themselves as a future leader in the business/organization. Previous recipients of the Young Professional of the Year award are not eligible.

Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Work Status (circle one): Employed- Full Time Part Time Self Employed

Employer: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Please attached no more than 2 pages to answer the following questions in a narrative format. The selection committee will review nominees based on the following considerations.

1. **Brief Personal Description:** Include family life, history, etc.
2. **Individual Accomplishments:** Please explain the nominee's accomplishments and contributions to their company/community. What qualifies them to be considered as The Young Professional of the Year?

Deadline for nominations is **Friday, September 23, 2022**. The recipient of the Young Professional of the Year Award will be announced during the Annual Chamber Banquet.

Please return nominations to: Paulding Chamber of Commerce
Young Professional of the Year Award
101 E. Perry Street
Paulding, OH 45879