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**Governor Tom Wolf and First Lady Frances Wolf Honor 10 Women as Pennsylvania’s 2016 Distinguished Daughters**

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Harrisburg- Governor Tom Wolf and First Lady Frances Wolf today recognized 10 outstanding women from across the state as this year’s Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania. The women were honored with medals for their achievements at an event at the Governor’s Residence in Harrisburg.

“Each of these women has shown a tremendous commitment to making the world around her a better place,” said Gov. Wolf. “It is my honor to today name them as Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania. Their dedication, commitment and compassion has enriched the lives of so many across Pennsylvania and the nation.”

The 2016 Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania include Mary Stengel Austen (Radnor), Ida Castro (Scranton), Dr. Nancy Davidson (Pittsburgh), Sheila Reicher Fine (Pittsburgh), Gail Harrity (Philadelphia), Patricia Levin (Bethlehem), M. Claire Lomax (Philadelphia), Josephine Moore (Pittsburgh), Velma Redmond (Carlisle), and Dianne Semingson (Bensalem).

“Tom and I are proud to recognize this group of 10 extremely talented, creative and motivated women,” said First Lady Frances Wolf. “Our communities and the Commonwealth are enhanced by their extraordinary achievements and we can’t thank them enough for their tremendous contributions to Pennsylvania in their respective fields.”

Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania began in 1948 as a way to honor women who have shown distinguished service through a professional career and/or voluntary service. The women are nominated to receive the honor by non-profit organizations within Pennsylvania. They do not need to be natives of Pennsylvania, but must have lived in the Commonwealth at some point.