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**United HomeCare to Award Jorge Luis Lopez, Esq. with Education/
Advocacy 2014 Claude Pepper Award as Part of
“40 Years and Beyond” Celebration**

Thursday, May 15th at Jungle Island

MIAMI, FL – April 11, 2014 – United HomeCare® (UHC), South Florida’s leading non-profit home and community-based care organization, has announced it will be honoring Jorge Luis Lopez, Esq. with the 2014 Claude Pepper Memorial Community Advocacy Award. The award recognizes exceptional contributions to the welfare of elderly and disabled adults in the community and will be presented at an annual dinner on Thursday, May 15th, 6 p.m. at Jungle Island.

Mr. Lopez has solidified a reputation for philanthropic work in the community, serving on numerous boards of charitable and faith-based not-for-profit organizations for more than 20 years.

“I owe a great deal to Claude Pepper for his valuable guidance in public service and philanthropy. When I first started my law career in 1987 at Mershon Sawyer, I had the privilege and honor of working with this great leader. I am grateful to have been selected to receive this prestigious award and join past recipients such as Dr. Eduardo Padron, Dr. Modesto Maidique, Richard Milstein, and John A. Rock, and hope to continue working to improve the quality of life for the elderly and the disabled,” Mr. Lopez said.

The theme of this year’s event – *40 Years and Beyond* – commemorates United HomeCare’s 40-year history of improving the lives of thousands of Miami-Dade County elderly and disabled residents. It also embodies a commitment to promote innovation and champion causes that continue to advance the delivery of home and community-based care.

The dinner will honor exceptional organizations and individuals from the community who exemplify the spirit and ideals of the award’s namesake – the late U.S. Senator Claude Pepper. The event, which is now in its 20th year, has become a signature gathering for South Florida community leaders who advocate and demonstrate a strong concern for the special needs of older adults.

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About Jorge Luis Lopez Law Firm

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About United HomeCare

United HomeCare® is a private 501(C)(3) non-profit home and community-based care organization with a 40-year history dedicated to making people's lives better with proven quality-of-life solutions delivered in the comfort of home settings. United HomeCare® is a trusted industry leader known for pioneering advances in home care programs, disease management services, and educational support programs to help families care for elderly and disabled relatives in homes or other community settings. United HomeCare® is the largest Community Care for the Elderly (CCE) Lead Agency in Miami-Dade.

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Editor's Note: Interviews with Mr. Jorge Luis Lopez, Esq. and photos are available upon request.