

2016 Boy Scout Gala Honors Spear Street Capital's Rajiv S. Patel

San Francisco, CA (November 7, 2016) -- San Francisco real estate leader Rajiv S. Patel will be this year's honoree at the 32nd Annual Gala of the San Francisco Bay Area Council of the Boy Scouts.

The upcoming 2016 gala is scheduled for Saturday, December 3 at the Westin St. Francis on Union Square in San Francisco.

In recent years, the Gala Committee has focused on stemming the tide of youth violence by providing educational programs that focus on developing leadership skills and building personal character. As a result, thousands of youth are given a week at camp to have experiences outside of their urban neighborhoods.

Mr. Patel is a Managing Director with Spear Street Capital, a private equity fund that acquires and operates office properties in technology related markets nationwide. With a transaction volume exceeding \$6 billion, Patel has bought, sold or financed real estate investments in most major markets across the United States. His primary focus is overseeing the company's investment activities and spearheading many of the firm's strategic initiatives.

"Proceeds from the Gala are currently on pace to reach a significant record," said Frank Yoke, Deputy Scout Executive & Deputy C.E.O., San Francisco Bay Area Boy Scouts of America. "The support from Mr. Patel's followers has been impressive to say the least," added Yoke. "We expect this to be a record year which will enable us to send even more scouts to camp."

"This program is especially helpful in expanding the Scouts knowledge of nature firsthand," said Honoree Patel. "We can see it on their faces when they return to the city after their camping experience. For many it's life changing."

Note: Past Gala honorees have included:

Eastdil Secured's Jeffery Weber
Hamid Moghadam, Chairman of Prologis.
Dominik "Nick" Slonek of Avison Young,
David Wall of GLL partners,
Keiretsu Forum's Randy Williams,
Frank Jordan, former Mayor of San Francisco,
Lewis Coleman, CEO of Bank America Securities,
Sean Lance, CEO of Chiron Corporation,
Robert Parry, CEO of the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank,

For more information on attending the Gala and supporting its silent and live auction, contact: Tim Gallen or Nancy Amaral, Gallen.Neilly.Amaral, (925) 930-9848, tim@gallen.com, nancy@gallen.com