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Christine Pelosi to Receive Spotlight Award for Public Leadership Boot Camp Course at UC Berkeley Extension

Oakland – California. On Thursday, April 30th, the Bay Area Business RoundTable (BABRT) will present a Spotlight Award to author, attorney and activist Christine Pelosi for her partnership in teaching the Public Service Leadership Boot Camp course at UC Berkeley. The award will be presented during the BABRT's monthly meeting held at Homewood Suites Hotel in Oakland. The Boot Camp course highlights skills that are essential in becoming an effective community leader, organizer or political candidate.

This class also emphasizes the same techniques in management, message, money and mobilization that helped win Congress back for the Democrats. Pelosi offers leadership lessons from her vast experience on the campaign trail. She has conducted campaign boot camps for candidates and causes in more than 15 states across the country and she blogs regularly for the Huffington Post and Politico.com.

The first ten-week boot camp course at UC Berkeley was offered last November and the second class is currently underway. Pelosi believes that every person has a call to service and an ability to lead. Her book, *Campaign Boot Camp: Basic Training for Future Leaders*, is the text for the class and a must-read for anyone preparing to run for office or engaging in public service.

Pelosi says, "Leadership requires inspiration, dedication and perspiration to turn ideas into results. My class provides best practices and 'get real' exercises, so that students can integrate these leadership lessons into their own public service efforts, relative to political campaigns, ballot initiatives or non-profit ventures." Through collaboration with the BABRT, Pelosi brought the basic training principles of her book to the classroom.

The BABRT meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m. and speakers will consist of California State Treasurer Bill Lockyer and Executive Director for the Port of Oakland, Omar Benjamin.

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