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**CARSON CITY SHERIFF KEN FURLONG AWARDED 2015 DEA/D.A.R.E.
AMERICA LAW ENFORCEMENT EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR AWARD**

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Francisco X. Pegueros, President and CEO of D.A.R.E. America and Special Agent in Charge of the DEA Los Angeles Field Division Anthony D. Williams are pleased to announce the selection of Carson City Sheriff Ken Furlong as the 2015 DEA/DARE Law Enforcement Executive of the Year.

The DEA/D.A.R.E. America Law Enforcement Executive award is given to a senior law enforcement officer who epitomizes an extraordinary commitment to drug prevention and enforcement. The award has been given annually 2000. Sheriff Furlong joins an elite group of sheriffs and chiefs of police to be honored by selection to receive this award.

SAC Williams stated: "Sheriff Furlong is a man of vision, action and results-a sheriff who walks his community with tremendous compassion and love-always expecting to improve the quality of life."

Francisco Pegueros stated: I have known Sheriff Furlong for a number of years. I can think of no one more deserving for this honor. Sheriff Furlong has set a standard of commitment to public service which all law enforcement officials should strive to emulate. Sheriff Furlong's dedication to the youth of Carson City and support for D.A.R.E. is greatly appreciated."

The award includes \$1000 to be used for a program designated by the recipient.

Sheriff Furlong will be presented the award by a senior executive of the DEA and Francisco Pegueros at the annual D.A.R.E. America International Conference in New Orleans - August 4-6, 2015.