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Pitt Professor to Be Named Distinguished Daughter Of Pennsylvania

**Toni Carbo will be honored by Governor, First Lady in
ceremony**

PITTSBURGH—Toni Carbo, professor of information sciences and public and international affairs at the University of Pittsburgh, will be honored as a Distinguished Daughter of Pennsylvania by Governor Edward G. Rendell and Judge Marjorie O. Rendell, First Lady of the Commonwealth, in a ceremony at the Governor's Residence in Harrisburg.

Carbo's achievements, and those of this year's six other honorees, will be highlighted at the Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania's 57th Annual Presentation Luncheon Oct. 20. Carbo was nominated for the honor by the Women's Association of the University of Pittsburgh.

"The Governor and I are pleased to host these distinguished women and commend them for their leadership and contribution to the Commonwealth," said Judge Rendell. "These seven women are committed to issues of importance in Pennsylvania, and their accomplishments and awareness will shape the future of our state."

Carbo was dean of Pitt's School of Information Sciences from 1986 to 2002. She has served as executive director of the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Sciences during the Reagan Administration, as executive director of the National Federation of Abstracting and Indexing Services in Philadelphia, as a consultant to the Institution of Electrical Engineers in London, England, and in several other positions in the library and information sciences field. She was also a Madison Council Fellow in Library and Information Science of the Library of Congress.

Carbo has served on the jury of the Heinz Awards for Technology, Economy, and Employment, and is currently on the boards of Three Rivers Connect and of the Center for Democracy and Technology. She was appointed by the Clinton Administration to the U.S. National Information Infrastructure Advisory Committee. She is on the American Library Association Honor Roll and has received the

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Distinguished Service Award from the Pennsylvania Library Association and the 100 Most Distinguished Alumni Award from Drexel University, where she earned the master's degree in library and information science and the Ph.D. degree in management of information resources. Her undergraduate degree in English literature is from Brown University, and she is a fellow of several organizations.

To be considered for Distinguished Daughter selection, women must be nominated by organizations within the Commonwealth for accomplishments of statewide or national importance. The Distinguished Daughters are honored with medals and citations at the Governor's Residence. This year, the First Lady, herself a Distinguished Daughter in 1999, will present the awards. Joanne W. Boyle, president of the Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania, will preside over two days of activities in Harrisburg.

In 1948, Governor John H. Duff was approached by a group of influential women suggesting that outstanding women throughout Pennsylvania be recognized for their leadership and contributions to the state. Plans were soon undertaken to honor those Pennsylvania women who have given distinguished service through their professional careers and/or volunteer service. The Commonwealth began honoring these women as Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania in 1949. To date, 410 women have been so honored.

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