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Local Senior Citizen Honored in Washington, D.C. for Extraordinary Volunteer Work

What: Walter Turner of Tampa receives national volunteer award

When: May 9, 2008, 11:45 a.m.

Where: Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave.

Walter Tuner of Tampa, a seven-year senior citizen volunteer with Hillsborough County, will be one of approximately twenty senior citizen volunteers honored by the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging and the MetLife Foundation at the 2008 MetLife Foundation *Older Volunteers Enrich America Awards*.

The program, now in its sixth year, honors the exemplary contributions of older volunteers and promotes volunteering among older adults nationwide. The award-winning volunteers, all over the age of 50, will travel to Washington, D.C. for a ceremony in their honor on May 9.

Mr. Turner has graciously given his time and effort to Hillsborough County Department of Aging Services, Westshore Senior Center, Health and Social Services, and many other organizations within Hillsborough County.

Mr. Turner helps seniors by training them how to use computers at the Westshore Senior Center, and serves on the Hillsborough County Community Action Board to help low-income individuals. To recognize Mr. Turner's willingness to serve the community, his church dedicated a building, the Rev. Walter Turner Fellowship Hall and Administrative Offices and Scholarship Fund in his honor.

"To God be the glory for the great things he has done," stated Mr. Walter Turner, recipient of the Silver Honoree (Community Champion) award. Mr. Turner will travel to Washington D.C. to receive his prestigious award for dedicating his time to help others.

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