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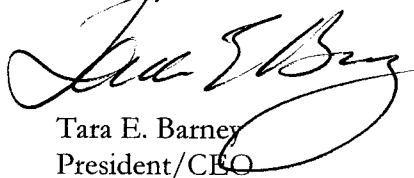
Dear Ray:

Creating new technology companies...growing existing companies...retaining and attracting workforce...revitalizing older business corridors. These are the cornerstones of The D1 Initiative 2005-2010, and we want to thank Scott County Board of Supervisors for joining with DavenportOne and more than 200 others to tackle these and other priorities aimed at strengthening the business climate in our community.

We want to acknowledge receipt of your recent payment of \$75,000.00 toward your total pledge to the D1 Initiative. Your investment is the means by which DavenportOne and its partners will achieve meaningful results for our members and the community. As we look to the year ahead, we look forward to providing you with progress reports as well as economic and community development success stories made possible through the D1 Initiative 2005-2010.

Thank you again for your partnership and your support of our shared vision for business growth.

Sincerely,



Tara E. Barney  
President/CEO



Chamber of Commerce • Economic Development • Downtown Partnership

## DavenportOne Designated as Chamber of the Year



**For Immediate Release**  
**August 5, 2008**

(Davenport, Iowa) – The American Chamber of Commerce Executives has awarded DavenportOne the prestigious “Chamber of the Year” distinction. The Chamber of the Year is the nation’s only award that recognizes the dual role of chambers in leading both businesses and communities. The designation recognizes DavenportOne’s organizational strength, financial growth, membership development and its demonstrable impact on key community priorities.

DavenportOne was one of four chambers recognized as “Chamber of the Year” during ACCE’s Annual Awards Gala on Friday, Aug. 1, during the association’s annual convention, held this year in Pittsburgh. DavenportOne qualified as one of three finalists in its category (dues income between \$200,000-\$499,999).

“This is an exceptional honor for DavenportOne. We are delighted our peers recognize the work we do as outstanding in our profession,” said Tara Barney, DavenportOne president and CEO. “DavenportOne is very fortunate to have the support of our dedicated members and volunteers; they have made DavenportOne an award-winning success.”

Four DavenportOne staff members attended the conference in Pittsburgh and were on hand to accept the Chamber of the Year award.

The process to qualify, apply and win the Chamber of the Year award involves a multi-stage process. During all stages chambers compete amongst peers from similar dues income levels: under \$200,000, \$200,000 - \$499,000, \$500,000 - \$1 million, and over \$1 million dollars.

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Founded in 2000, DavenportOne is the largest membership organization in the region dedicated to building the success of Quad-City businesses. The organization comprises three divisions: the Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development, and the Downtown Partnership. DavenportOne is committed to creating a community where existing industry prospers, new industries want to locate, tourists want to visit and residents are proud to call home. For more information about DavenportOne, go to [www.DavenportOne.com](http://www.DavenportOne.com).