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## Werner Enterprises Founder is Named Horatio Alger Recipient

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C.L. Werner, the founder and chairman emeritus of Werner Enterprises (NASDAQ: WERN), was recently named as a member of the 2012 class of Horatio Alger Award recipients.

Mr. Werner, who founded Werner Enterprises at age 19 when he traded his family car for a 1956 Ford truck, is being honored for his generosity and continued support of local and national humanitarian efforts. Since Mr. Werner started as the company's first driver hauling farm products regionally, Werner Enterprises has grown into a \$2 billion global transportation and logistics company.

The 12 new members, including Mr. Werner, will be inducted next spring in Washington, D.C., at the Horatio Alger Awards Induction Ceremonies April 12-14, 2012.

Given by the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, recipients are dedicated community leaders who have accomplished remarkable achievements through hard work, self-reliance and perseverance. Past recipients include Hank Aaron, Tom Brokaw, Bob Hope, Maya Angelou, Leonardo DiCaprio, Michael Bloomberg and Ronald Reagan. Additionally, Mr. Werner is one of several Nebraskans to receive the Horatio Alger Award.

The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc. was established in 1947 and bears the name of the renowned author Horatio Alger, Jr., whose tales of overcoming adversity through unyielding perseverance and basic moral principles captivated the public in the late 19th century.

Werner Enterprises, Inc. was founded in 1956 and is a premier transportation and logistics company, with coverage throughout North America, Asia, Europe, South America, Africa and Australia. Werner maintains its global

headquarters in Omaha, Nebraska and maintains offices in the United States, Canada, Mexico, China and Australia. Werner is among the five largest truckload carriers in the United States, with a diversified portfolio of transportation services that includes dedicated; medium-to-long-haul, regional and local van; expedited; temperature-controlled; and flatbed services. Werner's Value Added Services portfolio includes freight management, truck brokerage, intermodal, and international services. International services are provided through Werner's domestic and global subsidiary companies and include ocean, air and ground transportation; freight forwarding; and customs brokerage.

Werner Enterprises, Inc.'s common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market<sup>SM</sup> under the symbol "WERN." For further information about Werner, visit the company's website at **[www.werner.com](http://www.werner.com)**.

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