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**MEDIA ALERT FOR MONDAY, JUNE 15<sup>th</sup> 3:00 p.m.**

**CHILDREN PRESENT “2009 PEACE HERO AWARD” TO TONY HAWK**

**WHAT:** *Kids for Peace*, an international nonprofit organization based in Carlsbad, CA, will present their “**2009 Peace Hero Award**” to San Diego native and international skateboarding champion **Tony Hawk**. The award is in recognition of Tony being an exemplary role model in following his dreams and doing good for children in our community, our country and our world. The ceremony will feature *Kids for Peace* children ages 4-12 performing an original *Kids for Peace* song, their “Peace Pledge” and a presentation from several children highlighting Tony’s philanthropic work through the Tony Hawk Foundation. Tony will accept the award from the children and give a short speech.

**WHEN:** Monday, June 15th  
3:00p.m. - 4:00p.m.

**WHERE:** Quail Botanical Gardens

**WHO:** Distinguished guests will include elected officials and hundreds of families, friends, supporters and sponsors of *Kids for Peace*.

**MORE:** In less than three years, *Kids for Peace* has expanded to 50 interconnected chapters throughout the United States and across the globe including Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Ghana, Mozambique, Bangladesh, The Dominican Republic, Greece, Canada and Australia. There are 12 *Kids for Peace* chapters throughout San Diego County.

***Kids for Peace Mission:***

*To cultivate every child's innate ability to foster peace through cross-cultural experiences and hands-on arts, service and environmental projects.*

***Kids for Peace Pledge***

I pledge to use my words to speak in a kind way.  
I pledge to help others as I go throughout my day.  
I pledge to care for our earth with my healing heart and hands.  
I pledge to respect people in each and every land.  
I pledge to join together as we unite the big and small.  
I pledge to do my part to create peace for one and all.

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