



National Association of Theatre Owners™

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## **NATO STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF TOM SHERAK**

*(North Hollywood, Calif. - 28 January 2014)* NATO and its six hundred movie theater company members mourn the loss of Tom Sherak. Tom graced the entire movie industry with a huge heart and a brilliant mind. Tom supported charity with boundless and unparalleled energy. Tom created compromise and peace in an industry known for factions. Tom was a very unique and beloved leader, who simply cannot be replaced. The Will Rogers Motion Picture Pioneers and NATO will honor Tom as our Pioneer of the Year during CinemaCon in Las Vegas on March 26 where it will be our honor to celebrate his amazing life.

### **About NATO**

The National Association of Theatre Owners is the largest exhibition trade organization in the world, representing more than 31,000 movie screens in all 50 states, and additional cinemas in 78 countries worldwide.

Headquartered in Washington, D.C., with a second office in North Hollywood, California, NATO represents its members in the heart of the nation's capital as well as the center of the entertainment industry. From these vantage points, NATO helps exhibition influence federal policy-making and work with movie distributors on all areas of mutual concern, from new technologies to legislation, marketing, and First Amendment issues. [www.natoonline.org](http://www.natoonline.org)

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