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EMPLOYEE OF DISTINCTION AWARD NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS JULY 30, 2010

AKRON, Ohio—June 22, 2010 – The elements most often missing from an employer’s compensation package are recognition and appreciation. Goodwill Industries is offering employers in Summit, Medina, Portage, Ashland and Richland Counties an opportunity to give their stellar employees the recognition and appreciation deserved through the Employee of Distinction Award Luncheon hosted by Goodwill Industries. Employers can nominate - AT NO COST - the employees they would like to publicly recognize. Every nominee is acknowledged at the event, listed in the commemorative program, and in the running for the Employee of Distinction Awards. All nominees will also receive two free tickets to a performance at Akron’s historic Civic Theater.

A panel of judges comprised of members from the Akron Area Society for Human Resource Management will select the top five employees. The winners will be announced at the event and will be given a special gift from Shulan’s Jewelers. The deadline to nominate employees is July 30, 2010. Goodwill is offering a special incentive for early-bird nominations - a free business card sized ad in the commemorative program, limited to one ad per company, for those nominations submitted by July 15, 2010.

“Goodwill is a leader in workforce development and it’s our privilege to host an event that recognizes superior employees,” said Nancy Ellis McClenaghan, President and CEO. “Most people place a high value on having their efforts publicly recognized. This event provides employers a cost-effective way to praise and inspire outstanding employees.”

Last year, 58 individuals were recognized throughout Summit, Portage and Medina Counties. Employers can nominate as many employees as they wish, and there is no fee for nominations. However, each ticket at the event, including nominees, will be \$25. Advertising and sponsorship opportunities that deliver high-impact exposure in a cost-effective way are also available for the event.

Employers can download the Nomination Form, RSVP for the luncheon, and learn about sponsorship and advertising for the event online at www.goodwillakron.org. Questions about the Employee of Distinction Luncheon can be directed to Tracy Keenan at 330-786-2573 or tkeenan@goodwillakron.org.

Event Details

Wednesday, September 8, 2010 @ 11:30AM @ Guy’s Party Centre, 500 E. Waterloo Road, Akron, \$25, RSVP at www.goodwillakron.org

About Goodwill Industries

Goodwill Industries of Akron is a not-for-profit corporation that helps individuals prepare for, find, and retain employment. Operating in the five-county region of Summit, Portage, Medina, Ashland, and Richland, the Akron-based agency was established in 1927. It is a private, independent organization, operating as an affiliate member of Goodwill Industries International, and a United Way agency in Summit and Medina Counties. Goodwill helps to directly strengthen the region’s workforce through its employment programs and indirectly through the net proceeds from its retail outlets and contract services division. For more information about Goodwill, visit www.goodwillakron.org or call 800-989-8428.

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