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CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER ANNOUNCES 2008-2009 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 26, 2008 (Lincoln, NEB) — Child Guidance Center, a nonprofit children's mental health agency, is pleased to announce its Board of Directors for the 2008-2009 fiscal year effective July 1. Comprised of professionals and community leaders with expertise in the areas of law, finance, marketing, education, and human services, the board is the driving force behind the organization's mission to provide comprehensive mental health services to Lincoln youth and their families, regardless of financial ability.

Newly elected officers include:

President- Michael Mueller, Attorney, Cline, Williams, Wright, Johnson, & Oldfather, L.L.P.
President Elect- Carol Watson, Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Assurity Life Insurance
Secretary- Stacy Svoboda, Vice President and Branch Manager, West Gate Bank
Treasurer- Curt Denker, Sr. Vice President, Pinnacle Bank

Michelle A. Paxton, attorney for the University of Nebraska's Center on Families, Children, and the Law, was newly appointed to the board this year.

Paxton joins Child Guidance Center's other distinguished board members including, Priscilla Henkelmann, community member; Dr. Patrick Hunter-Pirtle, Principal, Southeast High School; DeMaris Johnson, owner of The Johnson Group; Joyce Lundstrom, community member; Linda Maslowski, community member; Jacquelyn D. Miller, Chief Administrator, Dept. of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health; Carlos Monzon, Attorney, Monzon Law, P.C., L.L.O.; Kimberly Munnis, Vice President and Sr. Trust Officer, Personal Trust and Wealth Management, Union Bank and Trust; Dr. Gwendolyn Newkirk, Professor Emerita, University of Nebraska; Dr. Reece L. Peterson, Professor, Special Education- College of Education and Human Sciences, University of Nebraska; Larry Puntaney, Account Executive, Snitily Carr; Russ Ripa, Vice President, Business Banking Division, Wells Fargo Bank; Dr. Becky K. Wild, Director of Student Services, Lincoln Public Schools.

"We are honored to have such a committed group of individuals serve on our board. Their wide range of knowledge and experience will bring valuable insight into the complex issue of children's mental health as the agency moves into its sixtieth year of supporting Lincoln families in their efforts to raise emotionally healthy kids," said Carol Crumpacker, Ph.D., Executive Director.

Child Guidance Center was established in 1949 by the Junior League and is a private nonprofit agency dedicated to providing child-centered, family-focused mental health services to all youth in Lincoln, regardless of financial ability. Annually, Child Guidance Center serves over 2,000 children and adolescents along with their families, using a combination of specialized programs and proven strategies. Child Guidance Center's professional staff helps kids heal from emotional hardships by treating the underlying trauma, allowing them to move forward and offering them a promising future. For more information, visit www.child-guidance.org or call 475-7666.

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