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Working Wardrobes Founder and CEO Jerri Rosen Honored as Outstanding Founder at National Philanthropy Day Awards

COSTA MESA, Calif., Nov. 18, 2010 – Working Wardrobes founder and CEO Jerri Rosen was honored with the Outstanding Founder Award at the 25th annual National Philanthropy Day Awards on Nov. 17. The event, presented by the Association of Fundraising Professionals, acknowledges a wide spectrum of services provided by the nonprofit community and recognizes the profound impact that philanthropy has on the fabric of society.

Rosen founded Working Wardrobes 20 years ago with the first ever Day of Self-Esteem event, which provided clothing and accessories to 67 women from six shelters. Since then, the nonprofit has grown to serve more than 50,000 men, women and young adults in crises by empowering them with professional wardrobing and career development services designed to help them re-enter the workforce and achieve self-sufficiency.

“It is an incredible honor to be recognized among such a phenomenal group of philanthropic leaders in Orange County,” said Jerri Rosen. “Realizing the progress we’ve made since the beginning is truly astonishing and it would not have been possible without the good work of our dedicated staff, community partners, generous donors and thousands of passionate volunteers who continue to support us every year. I am so proud of all our achievements in transforming lives in the community.”

The Outstanding Founder Award honors an individual for his or her achievement, leadership and vision in establishing a successful nonprofit organization dedicated to providing important charitable services to the community and to improving the quality of life for individuals and families living in Orange County. The National Philanthropy Day Awards also recognize philanthropic corporate partners and volunteer groups in the community.

For more information on National Philanthropy Day of Orange County, visit www.npdoc.org. For more information on Working Wardrobes, visit www.workingwardrobes.org or call 714-210-2460.

About Working Wardrobes

Working Wardrobes, an independent nonprofit organization, empowers men, women and young adults in crises to transform themselves and confidently enter the workforce with career development, wardrobe and grooming services. Since 1991, Working Wardrobes has served more than 50,000 adults emerging from a wide spectrum of backgrounds including welfare-to-work, alcohol and substance abuse, domestic violence, transitional homelessness, catastrophic illness and traumatic financial losses. For more information about Working Wardrobes, call 714-210-2460 or visit www.workingwardrobes.org.

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