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LLWC Foundation Announces Women of Excellence Awards Recipients

Baton Rouge, Louisiana –The Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation is pleased to announce the recipients of its 2009 Women of Excellence Awards. The Women's Caucus created this prestigious award in 2008 to recognize and honor extraordinary women of outstanding professional excellence across the state for their achievements and contributions. One recipient was selected from each of the seven categories. A panel of five judges selected the award recipients based on background, accomplishments, contributions, community service and media impact. The recipients of the 2009 Women of Excellence Awards are:

Arts & Culture:

- Priscilla Lawrence - The Historic New Orleans Collection - New Orleans

Banking & Finance:

- Helen Godfrey Smith - Shreveport Federal Credit Union - Shreveport

Education & Research:

- Julia Chan - Louisiana State University Department of Chemistry - Baton Rouge

Faith Based Initiatives:

- Deborah A. Roe - Catholic Charities Diocese of Baton Rouge - Baton Rouge

Health and Medicine:

- Wendy H. Roy - Cenla Medication Access Program - Alexandria

Volunteerism & Civic Involvement:

- Carol McMichael Reese, Ph.D. - Tulane University, School of Architecture - New Orleans

Young Woman of Excellence (age 16 to 23):

- Sarah Miller - Junior, Louisiana State University Honors College - Lafayette

Awards will be presented at the Women of Excellence Awards Gala on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Contact the Women's Caucus Office at 225.342.0334 for ticket information.

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