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JUNIOR LEAGUE OF WINSTON-SALEM CELEBRATES 85 YEARS OF SERVICE

Winston-Salem, NC – The Junior League of Winston-Salem will proudly celebrate its 85th birthday on January 18, 2008. In honor of this milestone, the Junior League of Winston-Salem has selected *My Aunt's House* as the beneficiary of the JLWS 85th Anniversary gift. *My Aunt's House* is a facility located on the campus of The Children's Home where homeless teen mothers and their children will be given shelter, supervision, and the necessities to grow healthy, strong families. The Junior League of Winston-Salem will collaborate with the Forsyth Adolescent Health Coalition and The Children's Home to provide an age-appropriate playground area and surrounding landscaping. Additionally, the JLWS will begin a small library with parenting and children's books.

"This project falls squarely in the JLWS's focus areas of Early Childhood Development and Mentoring Adolescents; additionally, it speaks directly to the JLWS's vision of educating individuals to build healthier families and a stronger community for the last 85 years. The JLWS is thrilled to partner with the Forsyth Adolescent Health Coalition and The Children's Home to address this need," said Allison Reaves, JLWS President.

The JLWS historically celebrates milestone years by selecting an anniversary gift to the community. In 1973, as the 50th anniversary gift to the community, monies were given

to establish Horizons, Inc., a facility for developmentally disabled individuals. Then, in 1998, as the 75th anniversary gift, the JLWS began the campaign to secure funds for the development of the Children's Museum of Winston-Salem.

The Junior League of Winston-Salem, Inc. is an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

With well over 1000 members, the Junior League of Winston-Salem has helped to inspire and to establish vital Winston-Salem- based community organizations and events, including the Arts Council, Children's Museum of Winston-Salem, Ronald McDonald House, SciWorks, Komen North Carolina Race for the Cure, and READ TO ME and BOOKMARKS Festivals. More information on the Junior League of Winston-Salem can be found at www.jlws.org.

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