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**THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION HONORS MARY TEMPLETON
WITH 2011 CATHOLIC FOUNDATION AWARD FOR SERVICE TO COMMUNITY**

Recipient accepts award, bestows grant to John Paul II High School Endowment Fund during Foundation's annual award dinner on Feb. 11, 2011

DALLAS – The Catholic Foundation recognized Mary Templeton with the 2011 Catholic Foundation Award during the 29th Annual Catholic Foundation Award Dinner on Friday, Feb. 11, 2011 at the InterContinental Dallas.

As an advocate for Catholic education and through her financial expertise, Templeton has been a catalyst in a number of projects in local Catholic schools and various local organizations.

“Mary’s contributions and support are excellent examples to others and prove that everyone truly does have something to give, whether it be a monetary contribution, ones’ own talent, or even the simple but priceless gift of time,” said Edwin M. Schaffer, Foundation president and CEO. “Through her support of Catholic education and the time she devotes to many local organizations, Mary is having a positive impact on our entire community and it is that positive impact that we celebrate tonight.”

During the dinner, the Foundation celebrated its 2010 year in giving, in which more than \$4.4 million was awarded to local churches, schools and nonprofit organizations in the Diocese of Dallas in support of everything from education programs and scholarships to infrastructure and remodeling assistance. Grant recipients in 2010 included St. Cecilia Catholic Church, the Theology of the Body Evangelization Team, Inc., Zero to Five Funders’ Collaborative, Big Thought, Grand Prairie Wellness Center and Bishop Dunne Catholic School, among many others.

In addition to Mrs. Templeton’s award, The Catholic Foundation presented an annual scholarship award to Lauren Marsan of Bishop Lynch Catholic School. The Foundation also bestowed a \$10,000 grant to The John Paul II High School Endowment Fund, in honor of Mary Templeton. Earlier in the day, Mary Templeton and her husband Rich, CEO of Texas Instruments, announced that they would be endowing the new fund with a \$2 million commitment. The \$10,000 grant from The Catholic Foundation will be the first grant given to the new endowment fund, which will support students who excel in scholarship and leadership.

“Our family has been greatly influenced by the commitment to the community we’ve seen in our friends and colleagues here in the Dallas community, so I am truly humbled to be honored among such a worthy group of past recipients,” said Mrs. Templeton. “Organizations such as The Catholic Foundation are an example of the dedication of many people working together to make a difference. The Foundation provides an independent conduit whereby individuals can make a significant contribution to the community in an organized and thoughtful manner. For all Catholics with the passion to give and help, the Foundation can be the mechanism. It’s a support to givers and those in need.”

The Templetons have been staunch supporters of Catholic education. Their legacy started at St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic School where Mrs. Templeton began her life as a community volunteer as the treasurer for the Parent Teacher Student Association. At Ursuline Academy, she continued her work helping with auctions, and the family was a major supporter of the new French Family Science, Math and Technology Center.

At John Paul II High School (JPIIHS), as a parent and board member, Mrs. Templeton has worked tirelessly with many other volunteers to help build the foundation of the JPIIHS community for future generations. In addition to many volunteer positions within the school, she serves on the board's finance and development committees. JPIIHS's football field was built in 2005, due in large part to the Templetons' generosity.

Mary had a career with General Electric Company (GE), which lasted 14 years until she moved to Dallas. Gifted in finance, she now shares her talents and passions with several organizations in the Dallas area.

Mrs. Templeton currently serves as a trustee on the Boards of the University of Dallas where she has been the finance chair and a member of the executive committee; JPIIHS; and the SW Region Boys and Girls Club of America. She also is a member of the Advisory Council of The Catholic Foundation and an advisor to the Visiting Nurses Association and Catholic Charities. In all of these roles, Mrs. Templeton provides her finance expertise in budgeting, planning and development.

The Templetons and their three children reside in Parker, Texas, where they have lived for 16 years.

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