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ZONTA CLUB OF CINCINNATI NOW ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERS

Cincinnati, OH – The Zonta Club of Cincinnati (ZCC) is now accepting new members. ZCC’s mission is to empower women through service, advocacy, and education, and is part of Zonta International in District 5, which encompasses Ohio, Kentucky, and West Virginia. At the local level, ZCC works with other like-minded non-profit organizations whose beneficiaries are women. ZCC has partnered with several other non-profit organizations over the years such as sponsoring Women Helping Women’s annual Purple Light Walks and Candlelight Vigils to advocate for women who are either presently or in the past have been abused by their domestic partners; adopted a women’s group house at Tender Mercies and periodically bringing in dinner, hair stylists, and manicurists; held quarterly birthday parties for children and their mothers who are temporary residents at Bethany House Services; and worked with FamiliesFORWARD by donating gifts for girls during the holidays and partnering with their staff at Withrow University High School by founding a Z Club (high school version of a Zonta Club) to encourage young women to develop leadership skills and service in their schools and communities. Visit www.zonta-cinti.org to find out more about the Zonta Club of Cincinnati.

Zonta Club of Cincinnati President Melinda Hepfner (West Chester) says, “This is such a great organization and very rewarding to help the women in our community and around the world! Our members are so caring and wish to empower women to become successful in whatever they wish to do with their lives. Zonta believes success in life for young women are the key to their advancement. They also provide several scholarships and grants through Zonta International as well as their own Ann Rasche Scholarships for non-traditional women enrolled at Cincinnati State

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Technical and Community College. They have recently started making mats for homeless women and sending words of encouragement to pregnant women through Cradle Cincinnati. There are endless opportunities to give back to our community!”

Zonta International is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) and has consultative status with the United Nations on women’s issues. Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential. In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men. In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

For more information about the Zonta Club of Cincinnati, visit www.zonta-cinti.org, contact Melinda Hepfner (513.759.0432; mhepfner@hotmail.com), e-mail info@zonta-cinti.org, or visit Zonta International at www.zonta.org.

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