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PLUMMER NAMED CITY HOUSE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PLANO, TEXAS (APRIL 9TH, 2009) – Christopher Plummer has been named Executive Director of CITY House, a non-profit agency for North Texas serving children, youth and families in crisis.

Mr. Plummer comes to CITY House with eleven years of both non-profit and for-profit experience, many of which as an Executive Director, Development Director, or Consultant. He most recently served as Executive Director of Community New Start, Inc., a non-profit in Austin. Mr. Plummer has a Master of Science in Social Work (MSSW) from the University of Texas at Austin and will complete this month the Executive Master of Business Administration (MBA) from the Southern Methodist University Cox School of Business. Mr. Plummer served as a pro-bono consultant for a number of non-profits while completing the MBA.

Mr. Plummer has lived in Austin the past 15 years, yet grew up in the Collin County area and is a graduate of Trinity Christian Academy.

“In terms of serving children and families and being able to do so within the Collin County area, I could not imagine a greater opportunity. It is a privilege to be part of such a gifted and dedicated staff, board, volunteers and numerous community stakeholders. We are fortunate to have CITY House in our community and it is an honor to serve in such a capacity,” Plummer said.

“We began a national search for the future Executive Director and had more than 150 candidates apply for the position all across the country. The search committee worked tirelessly in finding the right person to lead CITY House and we are quite confident we have found him” said CITY House Board President Bryan Lee. “Chris has the hands-on experience, the education and the drive to take this organization to the next level,” he said. “The combination of Chris’ non-profit executive leadership, as well as his business experience, will be an invaluable asset in helping CITY House in its quest to continually improve its programs and services. Chris will be a critical asset to help us fulfill our mission, and the board and our staff are thrilled to have Chris lead our focus on helping children and families in Collin County,” Lee said.

Celebrating 20 years of service to Collin County and the surrounding areas, CITY House is dedicated to its mission of protecting children and strengthening families.

Services include four residential programs for children from newborn to age 24 and a Family Counseling Center that all provide wrap around resources for children and families in crisis. Assistance was provided for more than 4,000 children and families in Collin County, Texas during 2008; as well as assistance to the surrounding counties of Dallas, Tarrant, Denton, Kaufman, and Rockwall. CITY House is on track to far surpass that number during 2009. See www.cityhouse.org for more information.

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