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From LEAD with Love: A Benefit for Children's HeartLink
A heart-felt evening at the Theatre de la Jeune Lune

Minneapolis, Minn. (Jan. 27, 2011) – From LEAD with Love, an event sponsored by the Leadership Emergence and Development Project (LEAD) benefitting Children's HeartLink, will take place on Saturday, February 12th, from 8:00 p.m. until midnight at the Theatre de la Jeune Lune (105 North 1st Street). The benefit will feature both live and silent auctions, where attendees may bid on a variety of unique packages donated by local businesses – even a date with Miss Minnesota USA 2011! The event will feature music by DJ Strangelove, an open bar showcasing Prairie Organic Vodka and snacks provided by Sweet Retreat Cupcake Boutique and D'Amico Catering. Formal attire is encouraged. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased only at www.theleadproject.org.

All proceeds benefit Children's HeartLink, a nonprofit organization that promotes cardiac care for children by working with teams of medical volunteers to provide training and support to partner health care centers in underserved regions of the world. Congenital heart disease is the world's most common major birth defect, affecting one in every 120 children. Ninety percent of those newborns are in areas of the world where appropriate medical care is inadequate or unavailable. Children's HeartLink currently supports partner hospitals and programs in nine countries: Brazil, China, Ecuador, India, Kenya, Malaysia, South Africa, Ukraine and Vietnam.

The Leadership Emergence and Development Project (LEAD) is a nonprofit organization established in 2006 that engages young professionals in the charitable and philanthropic communities of the Twin Cities. Since its inception, LEAD has facilitated the placement of over 200 young professionals in leadership roles with local nonprofits and raised over \$120,000 for Twin Cities charitable organizations relating to the arts, education, environment, health care and income inequality. For more information about LEAD, please visit www.theleadproject.org.

About Children's HeartLink

Founded in 1969, Children's HeartLink is a nonprofit organization working in partnership with health care centers in underserved regions of the world to promote sustainable cardiac care for children with congenital or acquired heart disease.

For more information, visit www.childrensheartlink.org.