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THOMAS B. STOEL HONORED BY METROPOLITAN FAMILY SERVICE

Volunteer Commitment to Community Award established for founding Metropolitan Family Service Board member

Portland, Ore. – May 30, 2002 – Metropolitan Family Service Board Chair David Goldberg has announced the establishment of the Thomas Stoel Award for Volunteer Commitment to Community. At a recent reunion of more than 60 Metropolitan Family Service Board members from the past 52 years, Goldberg presented the award to Stoel, who was a member of the organization’s first Board of Directors and prepared the original by-laws and articles of incorporation. The Thomas Stoel Award will be presented annually to a volunteer at Metropolitan Family Service.

“There is one person who maybe more than anyone else is responsible for the existence of Metropolitan Family Service,” said Krista Larson, Metropolitan Family Service Executive Director, “and that’s Tom Stoel.”

Thomas B. Stoel is a widely recognized corporate and tax lawyer, retired from the firm that bears his name, Stoel Rives. As one of Portland’s leading citizens, Mr. Stoel serves on several foundation boards and has made a significant positive impact on philanthropy in our region.

For more than 50 years Metropolitan Family Service has provided services through community-based programs for children, families, older adults, and people with disabilities. Metropolitan Family Service is a private, nonsectarian 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The mission of Metropolitan Family Service is to strengthen families and individuals while enhancing their participation in community life. For additional information, please contact Executive Director Krista Larson at 503.232.0007, ext. 104.

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