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JAN BOYCE HONORED AS IRVING HIGH SPIRITED CITIZEN

IRVING, Texas (June 8, 2012) – Irving Mayor Beth Van Duyne and the Irving City Council awarded Jan Boyce with the High Spirited Citizen award on Thursday, June 7, for her countless contributions to the Irving community.

An Irving High Spirited Citizen gives freely of their time, service and commitment to the city of Irving, adding character and inspiring others to lead in pursuit of a high quality of life in Irving. Boyce embodies the spirit of this award.

A leader within numerous organizations, Boyce currently resides on the <u>Irving Healthcare Foundation</u> (IHF) Board of Directors and serves as chair for the Nominating and Board Development Committee. Boyce's history of leadership roles with the IHF include program chair, treasurer, two terms as president of the IHF Guild, and spent many years volunteering for IHF's annual fundraising gala, TexasFest, chairing the event in 2000.

Boyce served seven years as a director for the Irving Symphony Orchestra Association, including a period as the Association's vice president of special events. Also active with the Irving Symphony League, Boyce served as both parliamentarian and president, and co-chaired the Irving Symphony League Ball for two years.

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Other organizations and efforts benefited by Boyce's leadership include the Irving Centennial Celebration Task Force and the Las Colinas Women's Association, where she served as Garden Club president, Investment Club president, membership chair, and association president. Those who experienced the Centennial Murder Mystery Train to Fort Worth in 2003 also experienced service from Boyce, as she co-chaired the event for the Celebration Task Force.

When husband, Chuck Boyce, received the High Spirited Citizen Award in December 2001, the original quote of well-known British journalist David Frost received mention, "Don't aim for success if you want it; just do what you love and believe in, and it will come naturally."

Like her husband, Boyce boldly carries her belief in serving others – and for that, Irving stands a stronger, better city.

The High Spirited Citizen program was initiated in 1988 by the <u>Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau</u>. Its purpose is to encourage the spirit of volunteerism. To date, more than 400 of Irving's "unsung" heroes have been honored with the award.

About Irving, Texas

Located immediately adjacent to Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport and between Dallas and Fort Worth, Irving, Texas, boasts more than 75 hotels and nearly 12,000 rooms. Las Colinas, a 12,000-acre master-planned community within the city of Irving, is known worldwide for its quality and uniqueness. The city is home to 10,000+ companies, 50 Fortune 500 companies, and the world headquarters of six Fortune 500 companies. For more information, visit irvingtexas.com

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