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**NORDSTROM ANNOUNCES BENEFICIARIES FOR KENWOOD TOWNE
CENTRE OPENING GALA**

*Evening to Benefit the Cincinnati and Queen City Chapters of The Links,
Incorporated, Cris Collinsworth ProScan Fund and Lighthouse Youth Services*

SEATTLE (March 9, 2009) — Nordstrom, Inc., one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, will kick off the opening of its new store at Kenwood Towne Centre with an evening gala on Wednesday, September 23, 2009. The event, completely underwritten by Nordstrom, is expected to raise more than \$120,000 for the Cincinnati and Queen City Chapters of The Links, Incorporated, Cris Collinsworth ProScan Fund and Lighthouse Youth Services. Nordstrom at Kenwood Towne Centre opens Friday, September 25 at 10:00 a.m.

Party goers will enjoy lavish hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, dinner and dessert buffets, live entertainment and the opportunity to do some "sneak preview" shopping in the new 138,000 square-foot specialty store. There will also be vignette modeling featuring new fall fashion throughout the store. Tickets are \$75 per person. For information, call (513) 924-2114.

Established in 1946, **The Links, Incorporated** is a global organization consisting of 12,000 professional women who are primarily African American and are committed to enriching, sustaining and ensuring the culture and economic survival of all people of African origin. Their four-pronged programming includes National Trends and Services, The Arts, Services to Youth and International Trends and Services. Funds raised through the gala will support the Cincinnati and Queen City Chapters—the two chapters operating in the greater Cincinnati area.

Enhancing women's lives through knowledge, services and hope, the **Cris Collinsworth ProScan Fund** promotes breast cancer awareness and education. Their Pink Ribbon

programs provide access to early breast cancer detection services and offer comfort and support to breast cancer patients throughout their healing journey.

Since 1969, **Lighthouse Youth Services** has been a beacon of hope for abused and neglected children and for families in crisis. Lighthouse serves over 4,000 youth each year and provides residential care for as many as 400 children in foster care, group homes, residential treatment centers, supervised apartments, and other residential programs. They have been characterized by innovation, a willingness to meet needs as they arise and a commitment to a continuum of care.

“It’s exciting to work with Nordstrom in support of the community. Along with the Cincinnati and Queen City Chapters of The Links, Incorporated and the Cris Collinsworth ProScan Fund, we thank Nordstrom for choosing to support our signature projects,” said Lauren Cohen, Lighthouse Youth Services board member and gala co-chair. “This partnership and our combined efforts will greatly benefit the Cincinnati community. We invite everyone to join us at the Nordstrom at Kenwood Towne Centre opening gala to celebrate our newest neighbor and support the community all in one evening.”

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 169 stores located in 28 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 109 full-line stores, 56 Nordstrom Racks, two Jeffrey boutiques and two clearance stores. Nordstrom also serves customers through its online presence at www.nordstrom.com and through its catalogs. Nordstrom, Inc. is publicly traded on the NYSE under the symbol JWN.

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