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TLC RECOGNIZES EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP AT ANNUAL DINNER

Rockville, MD, June 25, 2004 – The Treatment and Learning Centers, a non-profit organization, which helps typically developing children and children and adults with a wide range of disabilities, today announced the recipients of three leadership awards given at their annual dinner to board members for their outstanding contributions. The Treatment and Learning Centers Board of Directors are made up of community volunteers from major corporations, small businesses, and other organization that support TLC's mission.

The Rosemary R. Colston Outstanding Board-Member-of-the-Year Award was the first award handed out at the Annual Dinner. This award is given to the Board member whose leadership role, fundraising, committee task accomplishments, initiation of new projects/ideas, and board member recruitment have resulted in furthering the centers mission and strengthened operations. This year's recipient is TLC's Board President, Richard Ward. Mr. Ward has served on TLC's Board for five years. TLC established this award in name of Rosemary R. Colston after her two terms as President of the Board in the early 1980s.

The second award of the evening was given to the Board member deserving of the Volunteer-of-the-Year. Bruce Hunter, parent of a student at The Katherine Thomas School at TLC and relatively new member of the Board, was recognized as this years Volunteer-of-the-Year. Mr. Hunter chaired a School Study Team, which included parents and staff of the Katherine Thomas School along with fellow Board member, Colleen Luzier. The study team made recommendations regarding operational improvements and created a comprehensive report from the findings. The report is being reviewed by school administration.

The third and final award was the Teamwork award, which is given to the outstanding team on the Board that furthers the mission of TLC. This year the team selected for the award was The Family Hearing Center Team, led by Board members Richard Alper and Bill Gee. The team was staffed by Dr. Patricia Ritter, Assistant Executive Director at TLC and Susan Yaffe-Oziel, Director of The Family Hearing Center at TLC. This team analyzed the overall operations of The Family Hearing Center and made recommendations based on their findings to be implemented in the fall.

About TLC

The Treatment and Learning Centers, located in Rockville, Maryland, enables children and adults to develop to their full potential, to communicate effectively with others, and to achieve educational and vocational success. TLC provides services that strengthen their abilities and respond to their changing needs. With over 53 years of service to the community, TLC is committed to integrity and excellence in our care and will strive to assist

all, regardless of their ability to pay. For more information call 301-424-5200 or visit www.ttlc.org.

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