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McMASTER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CONTINUES TO INSPIRE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

(August 31, 2010 SOUTHERN ONTARIO) – The Mechanical Contractors Association, Greater Hamilton Region (MCAH) is a not-for-profit organization representing employers in the unionized Mechanical Contracting industry serving Hamilton, Wentworth, Halton, Lincoln, Wellington, Brant, Haldimand and Norfolk Counties. With the help of their industry partner U.A. Local 67, providing well-trained journeymen, forces are now joined to help generate much needed funds for McMaster Children's Hospital and the other Hamilton Health Sciences' hospitals and cancer centre.

“McMaster Children’s Hospital and the Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation are extremely grateful for the support received from the Mechanical Contractors Association of Hamilton and U.A. Local 67 during the past 22 years, including their recent gift of \$2,968. It is this type of community giving that enables us to provide the specialized equipment that supports our health care professionals so that they can effectively care for the people of this region”. Parker Neale, Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation Development Officer.

Generous U.A. Local 67 employee members raised funds at their Annual Awards Night, along with donation contributions from each community partner. Discussions to explore additional fundraising events are now underway. Both U.A. Local 67 and MCA Hamilton remarked, *“Our member companies and employees remain dedicated to maintaining our industry reputation of representing quality workmanship through the delivery of the highest standards and practices. Although our members set the bar higher for everyone else, we know they’ll translate the same commitment to helping the communities we serve.”*

Since 1990, MCA Hamilton employer members have contributed \$18,248.00 to various Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation campaigns, which include McMaster Children's Hospital, St. Peter's Hospital, and the Juravinski Cancer Centre. This fall MCAH's generous donor history will be formally acknowledged and celebrated at the annual Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation donor recognition ceremony.

McMaster Children’s Hospital is one of Canada’s leading pediatric health care facilities and is the regional referral centre for children who are seriously ill, injured or require specialized services in South-Central Ontario. More than 180,000 visits are made to the hospital throughout the year. Specialized services include 40 pediatric clinics, the province’s largest neonatal intensive care unit and the only pediatric trauma centre in the region.

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(Photo left to right) - Mechanical Contractors Association Hamilton President, Paul Shewfelt, Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation Development Officer Corporate and Community Initiatives, Parker Neale, and U.A. Local 67 Business Manager, Mark Ellerker.

