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DOORWAYS CELEBRATES A YEAR OF HEALTH, HOUSING, HOPE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – On Tuesday April 7, 2015 at 6 PM DOORWAYS will celebrate the supporters who make its work possible at its Annual Dinner. Supporters who helped to improve the health of those affected by HIV/AIDS through housing through their volunteer efforts will be honored with awards. The dinner is sponsored by St. Mary’s Health Center. Kate Becker, SSM St. Mary’s Health Center President, will welcome the dinner guests and Rev. Dr. Robert Scott, Central Baptist Church, will bless the event.

The Michael Edlin Award, DOORWAYS highest honor, will be presented to Jay Joern, D.D.S. The Volunteer Award will go to Sarah Moore for her outstanding years of unpaid service to the organization and the Generosity Award has been designated for Andy Cohen because he increased awareness to HIV and Housing by selecting Doorways to serve as the recipient of his winnings on a national television game show.

Past Michael Edlin Award Recipients were:

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| 1993 The Very Reverend J.C. Michael Allen | 2004 Howard Meyer |
| 1994 St. Mary’s Health Center | 2005 The Reverend Lloyd Edwards |
| 1995 David Prelutsky, M.D. | 2006 Peg Atkins |
| 1996 Ken Nuernberger and The Siedlund Co. | 2007 R. Shawn Tucker |
| 1997 Cawood “Woody” Bebout | 2008 Terry Crow |
| 1998 Bryan Young | 2009 Evelyn A. Cohen |
| 1999 Sister Betty Brucker, FSM | 2010 The Reverend Dr. Richard Ellerbrake |
| 2000 Brother John Spila, OSF | 2011 Dennis K. Hoffert |
| 2001 Ben Tischler | 2012 Lynne M. Cooper, D.Min. |
| 2002 The Reverend Evlyn Wehling Fulton | 2013 Charles Miller |
| 2003 Mark Lammert | 2014 Christine Pennell |

ABOUT MICHAEL EDLIN

As a DOORWAYS founding board member, Michael Edlin used his talents and considerable powers of persuasion to bring people together. He pressured friends to do more and opened his own home for the first doorways dinner, the early forerunner of this event. The name of our organization was influenced by his spirit of hospitality. Our logo was the handiwork of Michael and an artist friend. As a person living with AIDS himself, Michael gave up his privacy and used his own life as a tool to fight discrimination against others living with the disease. He closed his business to dedicate more time to his fundraising activities, and, at the time of his death, he left a legacy of life, giving service to all of us.

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About DOORWAYS

DOORWAYS is an interfaith non-profit organization that provides housing and related supportive services to improve quality of life and health outcomes for people affected by HIV/AIDS. Through direct service delivery and the efforts of identified program partners, DOORWAYS' programs and services annually benefit 1,000 households living with HIV/AIDS in the 15-county St. Louis metropolitan area, 62 under-served counties in outstate Missouri, and another 55 under-served counties in outstate Illinois. In Saint Louis, to volunteer or to donate, please visit www.doorwayshousing.org.

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