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COUNTRY MUSIC SUPERSTAR LEANN RIMES JOINS VOLUNTEERS FROM THE HOME DEPOT, ACADEMY OF COUNTRY MUSIC AND KABOOM! TO BUILD NEW PLAYGROUND IN MURFREESBORO

-- Playground to Honor LeAnn Rimes as 2009 Recipient of the Academy of Country Music/The Home Depot Humanitarian Award --

WHAT: Multi-platinum country music artist LeAnn Rimes is teaming up with volunteers from The Home Depot, Academy of Country Music, KaBOOM!, the United Way of Rutherford and Cannon counties and Murfreesboro, Tenn., community members to build a playground in just one day at Spring Valley Apartments.

Rimes was honored as the 2009 recipient of The Home Depot Humanitarian Award at the 44th Annual Academy of Country Music Awards this past April in Las Vegas. The Award recognizes country music artists who serve others, have a generous spirit and help build the dreams of those in need. In addition to recognition at the Awards show, the Humanitarian Award recipient receives a KaBOOM! playground donated by The Home Depot built in the city of their choice. Rimes selected Murfreesboro as the site for her playground build.

WHO: LeAnn Rimes, multi-platinum country music artist
175 The Home Depot volunteer associates

WHERE: Spring Valley Apartments
1400 Manor Drive
Murfreesboro, TN 37130

WHEN: **Oct. 7, 2009**
10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. LeAnn Rimes helping to build playground in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

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BACKGROUND: The project is made possible by a partnership between The Home Depot, the Academy of Country Music and KaBOOM!, a national non-profit organization whose vision is to create a great place to play within walking distance of every child in America. As a founding partner of KaBOOM!, The Home Depot provides financial support, materials and numerous volunteers. By the end of 2009, The Home Depot will have built and funded more than 1,500 KaBOOM! play space projects.

LeAnn Rimes was selected as the ACM/The Home Depot Humanitarian Award winner for her ongoing community service and charitable gifts. She is particularly devoted to causes that help children and our nation's military veterans. Rimes supports organizations like Children's Miracle Network, Camp C.O.P.E., Vanderbilt Children's Hospital in Nashville, Tenn., and Nashville Humane Association. Past recipients of the Award include Rascal Flatts, Brooks & Dunn, Vince Gill, Neal McCoy, Martina McBride, Lonestar and Reba McEntire.

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