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Marquis Companies Named 2015 Partner of Distinction for Keeping Families Close
Annual award recognizes local business that makes significant contributions to Ronald McDonald House Charities to support families with seriously ill children

PORTLAND, Ore. (December, 2015) – Ronald McDonald House Charities® (RMHC) of Oregon and Southwest Washington is pleased to honor Marquis Companies as its 2015 Partner of Distinction. This award recognizes a company that has made tremendous contributions to RMHC by creating a significant and lasting difference to the lives of families with seriously ill children who stay at Portland’s two Ronald McDonald Houses.

Marquis Companies has been a RMHC partner for many years - bringing gifts at the holidays, making meals throughout the year, filling welcome bags, raising funds, and lending a hand as RMHC renovates and remodels its 18-year-old East House. Marquis has also been a leader in guiding RMHC’s growth and ever-increasing support for families through board leadership. The company was formally awarded at RMHC’s annual Heats & Hands Gala on October 10.

"It is hard to fully capture, in words or in dollars, the beautiful impact that Marquis has had on the thousands of seriously ill children and families who come to stay and heal at our ‘home away from home’. We simply couldn't do what we do without our 2015 Partner of Distinction - Marquis Companies," said Jessica Jarratt Miller, CEO of RMHC of Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Marquis Companies provide post acute care, long-term care, assisted living, at home care and memory care throughout its 26 facilities. Marquis’ sister company, Consonus, provides pharmacy, rehabilitation, staffing and consulting to the long-term care community. In addition, both family-owned companies share a non-profit arm called The Vital Life Foundation that exists to support organizations that provide meaning and vitality in the lives of seniors and staff members living and working in long term care.

“It has been an honor and a privilege to support Ronald McDonald House Charities and its mission to create, find and support programs that directly improve the health and wellbeing of children,” commented Phil Fogg Jr., President and CEO of Marquis Companies. “RMHC has embraced the involvement of our clients, suppliers, staff, and friends in making a difference in the lives of the children and families of RMHC. I can speak on behalf of my team when I say that our involvement has enriched all of our lives.”

About RMHC

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Oregon and Southwest Washington® provides a “home away from home” for families with seriously ill children, and supports initiatives to improve pediatric health. For more than three decades, our dedicated staff and volunteers have offered comfort and support, a well-stocked kitchen and a warm bed to more than 32,000 families. To accomplish this, we rely on the generosity of donors, community partners and the hundreds of volunteers who selflessly give to our organization every year. For more information, visit www.rmhcoregon.org.

About Marquis Companies

Marquis Companies provide post acute care, long-term care, assisted living, at home care and memory care throughout its 27 facilities in Oregon, California, Montana, Idaho and Nevada. Marquis' sister company, Consonus, provides pharmacy, rehabilitation, staffing and consulting to the long-term care community. Both family-owned companies share the mission to promote the vitality within their employees and everyone the companies serve– and created its Vital Life Foundation to fulfill that mission. For more information, visit **www.marquiscompanies.com**.

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