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Eileen Scallen Named 2007 Everyday Hero Award Recipient

MINNEAPOLIS, MN - Eileen Scallen, Professor of Law at William Mitchell College of Law and board member of OutFront Minnesota, has been named as the 2007 Everyday Hero Award recipient by Twin Cities Pride.

The Community Pride Award is designed to highlight the "unsung" heroes in our midst; those who volunteer for their community and rarely receive recognition for their efforts.

Ms. Scallen serves on the Board of Directors of OutFront Minnesota, the leading statewide GLBT advocacy organization in Minnesota. In addition she volunteers and works for a variety of community-based organizations and programs, including Twin Cities Pride.

Eileen Scallen said, "There are so many people in our midst who work for justice for the GLBT community and receive no special recognition. I am honored to represent them this year in accepting the Everyday Hero Award."

Dr. Cheryl Maloney, Executive Director of Twin Cities Pride said, "Twin Cities Pride is delighted to honor Eileen with the Everyday Hero Award. Professor Scallen shares her commitment for justice with great enthusiasm, professional integrity, and a deep wisdom that strives for the best outcome for all parties concerned. Our community is enriched by her dedication to teach and to serve our community with care and compassion."

All four of this year's Pride Award recipients, including Grand Marshal Dallas Drake, will be honored at the annual Grand Marshal's Ball, which will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2007 at the Minneapolis Convention Center. Tickets for the Ball will go on sale in March on Pride's web site, tcpride.org for \$75. The event will feature a short awards program, silent auction, full dinner and entertainment.

Celebrating its 35th year in 2007, GLBT Pride/Twin Cities, the organizer of the Twin Cities Gay-Lesbian-Bisexual-Transgender (GLBT) Pride Celebration, began in 1972 with a small group of activists meeting for a picnic in Minneapolis' Loring Park and a short march down Nicollet Mall. Over the intervening years, the Twin Cities Pride Celebration has grown to be the largest GLBT Pride Celebration in the region and 3rd largest in the United States, with an estimated combined attendance of nearly 400,000 people at six events. GLBT Pride/Twin Cities is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

It is the mission of GLBT Pride/Twin Cities to commemorate and celebrate our diverse heritage, inspire the achievement of equality and challenge discrimination.

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