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YWCA Vancouver Women of Distinction Awards
4th Floor - 535 Hornby Street
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Re: Letter of Support/Cathrine M. Ann, Business & the Professions

Aloha Selection Committee,

We want to personally thank you for your commitment to recognizing “Women of Distinction” in British Columbia. Your awards empower current female leaders to do more and inspire the next generation of women to forge their own distinctive paths. The message of empowerment which you are able to deliver to the women who are recognized will surely have positive results throughout Canada and expand to our global community.

This message of empowerment is the reason for our letter to you. As you may know, Hawai‘i hosts an annual International Women’s Leadership Conference in Honolulu. Last year’s conference, held in September, featured women leaders from nations as diverse as China, England, Israel, Liberia, the Philippines and the U.S. One speaker in particular captured the hearts of our delegates – Ms. Cathrine M. Ann of Vancouver, British Columbia.

Cathrine’s remarkable story captivated the women of Hawai‘i and as a previous YWCA Woman of Distinction honoree, we know her story will continue to reverberate.

We humbly encourage your consideration of Cathrine for the 2010 Woman of Distinction award in the Business and the Professions Category. We know that Cathrine’s story and business success are an example of empowerment that will encourage women worldwide.

Sincerely,

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