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Kelly Perdew “inspires by example” at community leadership event held by the Volunteer Center of Rhode Island

Providence, RI (July 6, 2006)—Appointee to the President’s Council on Service and Civic Participation, Kelly Perdew, is scheduled to join the Volunteer Center of Rhode Island (VCRI) for its “Inspire by Example” Community Leadership Event on October 18 at the Providence Biltmore.

Recently recognized by President Bush for his impact on the community through civic involvement, Perdew will speak to Rhode Island leaders offering insight to the challenges and necessity of blending corporate goals with community values and raise awareness of the importance of volunteer service for all. Perdew gained notoriety for his highly publicized efforts to hear, “you’re hired” from Donald Trump as he earned the title of “The Apprentice” during the show’s second season.

“Throughout my personal and professional life, I’ve always looked for ways to give something back” Perdew said. “That includes my service in the United States military, my participation in the Big Brother/Big Sister program, and the years I spent coaching children in basketball.”

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Scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday October 18, “Inspire by Example” is open to Rhode Island leaders and the general public. General admission tickets are \$75 or \$125 and include a networking reception. Sponsorship opportunities for businesses range from \$1,000-10,000 and include tickets to event, priority seating, a photo with Perdue, along with other benefits depending on donation. Donations may be given as a business expense or a charitable gift. For more event information visit www.vcri.org or contact Kelly Nevins, Executive Director at (401) 421-6547 ext. 105 or by e-mail at knevins@vcri.org.

About the Volunteer Center of Rhode Island

Originally incorporated as Volunteers in Action in 1969, the mission of the Volunteer Center of Rhode Island (VCRI) is to connect people and opportunities for effective community service. We do this by promoting volunteerism statewide, connecting volunteers to opportunities, building the capacity for effective volunteerism through training and consultation and by collaborating with community stakeholders where volunteers are involved. Visit www.vcri.org for more information.

About the President’s Council on Service and Civic Participation

The Council, established by President Bush in January 2003 and renewed last year, is charged with promoting and recognizing the contribution that Americans of all ages and backgrounds are making to their communities through volunteer service. Visit www.volunteer.gov for more information.

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