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**Bruce Willis, Pierce Brosnan, Antwone Fisher, Robert and Leslie Zemeckis, Thomas Tull
Co-Chair CASA of Los Angeles Benefit at the Theatrical Premiere of "Annie"**

Los Angeles – September 13, 2005 – The theatrical production of *Annie* and **CASA** of Los Angeles are coming together for a special opening night event on October 4th, 2005 at the Pantages Theatre in Hollywood. **Bruce Willis, Pierce Brosnan, Antwone Fisher, Robert and Leslie Zemeckis** and **Thomas Tull** are co-chairing this event, which will raise funds to help CASA of Los Angeles (Court Appointed Special Advocates). The timeless tale of Little Orphan Annie and her dog, Sandy, will give a whole new generation the chance to experience this classic musical about never giving up hope.

The event committee includes such celebrities and notables as **Alba Tull, Ally Walker, Angelina Jolie, Anne Heche, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Christopher Gorham, Cindy Crawford, Clay Aiken, Congresswoman Hilda L. Solis, Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, Danny DeVito, Daphna Ziman, Dr. Charles J. Sophy, Jamie Foxx, Jamie Lee Curtis, Janel Malonoy, Jay Russell & Lee Cunningham, Jennifer Perry, Kary Walker, Kevin Eubanks, Lisa Gregorian, Michaela Pereira, the Osbournes, Rachel Bilson, Raoul Bova, Rhea Perlman, Robert & Barbara Patrick, Russell Simmons, Salma Hayak** and **Sarah Jessica Parker**.

CASA of Los Angeles and the producers of *Annie* are partnering with the National Foster Care Fund and Creative Artists Agency for this magical evening, which will take place at the Pantages Theatre beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$125 each and include the theatre event and an after-party at Hollywood & Vine. For more information, to purchase tickets or to learn more about sponsorships, contact CASA at call 323-526-6329 or visit www.casala.org.

"We are thrilled to be part of this incredible event and to have such prestigious partners," said Bryan Borys, Executive Director of CASA of Los Angeles. "The funds that are raised at this event will go a

long way to bringing more CASA volunteers into the system. Despite the best intentions of everyone in the foster care system, it is often difficult for a child to have one person who can voice his or her needs, desires and interests. A CASA volunteer helps a child be heard, helps them have a say in his or her life, and helps the child feel cared for and loved."

"CASA has always been a program close to my heart," said Bruce Willis co-chair and founder of the National Foster Care Fund. "The difference these good people make in the life of a foster child deserves the spotlight and our support. With almost 30,000 foster children in Los Angeles who need our help, programs like this must be supported so they can grow and serve more children."

About CASA

Established in 1978, CASA of Los Angeles, which operates under professional standards and California law, was one of the first of 900 CASA programs across the country. It is a public-private partnership between the Los Angeles Superior Court and Friends of CASA, a non-profit organization. CASA of Los Angeles recruits, trains, supports and supervises nearly 400 volunteers, who help more than 600 children each year.

About *Annie*

The timeless tale of Little Orphan Annie and her dog, Sandy, are back, giving a whole new generation the chance to experience this classic musical about never giving up hope. With one of the most treasured scores in Broadway history, *Annie* is a delightful theatrical experience for the entire family. This all-new production also features the brand-new song "Why Should I Change A Thing?" by composers Martin Charnin and Charles Strouse and stars Conrad John Schuck as Daddy Warbucks, Alene Robertson as Miss Hannigan, Mackenzie Phillips as Lily St. Regis, and introducing Marissa O'Donnell as Annie. For more information on *Annie*, go to www.annieontour.com.

About the National Foster Care Fund (founded by Bruce Willis)

Based in Los Angeles, the National Foster Care Fund (NFCF) is a tax-exempt organization founded in 2004 by actor and child advocate Bruce Willis. The NFCF provides strategic outlets for celebrities, community based organizations, private and public corporations, traditional foundations, and government agencies to pool resources to enhance and improve the lives of foster youth throughout the nation. Targeting marked improvements in the environments of children affected by foster care, the National Foster Care Fund focuses on four primary areas: Public Awareness; Education; Health/Mental Health; Family Preservation.