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ANNUAL MEETING & AWARDS CEREMONY SLATED FOR MARCH 28 MICHIGAN NON PROFIT EXECUTIVE SAM SINGH TO PROVIDE KEYNOTE SPEECH

JACKSON, MI (March 14, 2007) - United Way of Jackson County will hold it's 71st Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner on Wednesday, March 28, at 5:15 pm in the Ballroom at the Commonwealth Commerce Center in downtown Jackson. The event will feature nomination and election of new board members, recognition of outstanding performance in this past year's campaign, and the announcement of the United Way of Jackson County's Volunteer and Youth Volunteer of the Year.

Of special interest to the Jackson community is this year's keynote speaker, Sam Singh, Executive Director of the Michigan Nonprofit Association. Mr. Singh is a long time supporter of United Way, and is a Board member for Michigan Association of United Ways. "No one speaks with more passion and authority on the need for all of us to come together to solve the problems that trouble our community than Sam," said Ken Toll, Executive Director of United Way of Jackson County.

Singh was elected Mayor of the city of East Lansing in November 2005 after serving ten years on the City Council. In addition to his duties with the Michigan Association of United Ways, Mr. Singh serves on the board of directors for the Points of Light Foundation and the National Council of Nonprofit Associations.

Emcee for the event will be WKHM radio personality Marc Daly. The public is invited to attend. Individual tickets are \$25, and tables of eight can be reserved for \$200. Reservations can be made by calling Shellie Gillespie at the United Way of Jackson County office, 784-0511.