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Licking County Health Department Names 2010 Public Health Guardian Award Recipient January 3, 2011

LICKING COUNTY, OHIO – During its December 2010 meeting, the Licking County Board of Health awarded the 2010 Public Health Guardian Award to Kay Barton. This award recognizes an individual, agency or program that has made a significant contribution to the promotion and protection of public health in Licking County. Ms. Barton was recognized with the award as a result of her extraordinary fundraising and support of breast cancer awareness, screening, and survivor services in Licking County.

Ms. Barton is a sixteen-year breast cancer survivor who has organized annual breast cancer fundraising events at Moundbuilders Country Club in Newark for the last ten years. These events have raised close to \$150,000 for Susan G. Komen for the Cure and the Screening And Survivor Support (SASS) for Breast Cancer program. Her tireless efforts directly support breast cancer survivors and help fund mammograms for women in need in Licking County. “There is no one more deserving of this award than Kay Barton, her commitment to volunteerism and to finding a cure for breast cancer is truly amazing and we are thankful for her support,” said Joe Ebel, Licking County Health Commissioner.

Ms. Barton resides in Newark with her husband of twenty years Jim, and along with countless hours of volunteer work, she enjoys spending time with her five children, ten grandchildren and playing golf.

For more information regarding the Public Health Guardian Award please visit www.lickingcohealth.org.

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