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ECF Announces New “Luna Award” to Recognize Dedicated Principals in Tennessee

Unveiled at Value-Added Achievement Awards Ceremony

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Nashville, TN (May 9, 2011) – Each year, the Education Consumers Foundation recognizes the principals of some of the most effective elementary and middle schools in Tennessee, as evidenced by their TVAAS performance. But being a great principal involves more than just academics: it requires character, the ability to inspire, and an unwavering dedication to students, staff, and the community they serve. To recognize these leadership traits, ECF joined with Governor Bill Haslam today to announce the creation of the Luna Award.

The Luna Award is named after Elisa Luna, principal of Inskip Elementary in Knox County: Gravely wounded in a shooting at the school, Luna came back to again lead the school she loved. It is this kind of dedication ECF wanted to showcase, and the foundation is proud to permanently commemorate and honor Luna with this naming.

According to Dr. J.E. Stone, president of the Education Consumers Foundation, “As a past winner of the Value-Added Achievement Awards, Elisa Luna has proven herself as an academic leader; she has now also demonstrated her commitment to those she leads. We are extremely proud to name this new award in her honor.”

For more information on the Luna Award, or on the foundation’s Value-Added Achievement Awards, visit www.education-consumers.org.

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