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LEARNSHARE ANNOUNCES PREMIER PARTNERSHIP WITH NINTH HOUSE

Leader in Learning Solutions Now a Preferred Provider for LearnShare Members

October 11, 2006 - Toledo, Ohio - LearnShare, LLC, the consortium of Fortune 1000 companies organized to research, design, purchase, package and share best practices in training and development, today announced that it has partnered with San Francisco-based Ninth House, Inc, a leadership and management development company with a variety of blended learning solutions. LearnShare members will now have access to some of the best learning methodologies known for professional development. Members of the consortium are also eligible to receive preferred pricing.

Ninth House integrates content from leading business experts with self-paced online courses, practical simulations, and classroom sessions and materials to effectively develop leaders. With the finest and most respected business management gurus in the world today—including Ken Blanchard, Tom Peters and Peter Senge—as session leaders, the Ninth House curriculum addresses the most relevant issues an organization faces, including leadership and innovation, building community in the workplace and managing change.

“Ninth House is a LearnShare premier partner because of their proven leadership development excellence and solution set,” said Lois Webster, CEO of LearnShare. “Receiving preferential services and pricing from such a high-caliber organization is one of the benefits of being a member of our consortium.”

About LearnShare

LearnShare LLC, founded in 1996, is a consortium of 43 diverse, industry-leading companies dedicated to sharing their proven expertise and innovative practices across member organizations to enhance their competitive advantage. LearnShare’s key focus is to provide technology-based learning solutions, collaborative communities, best practices and applied research to meet its members’ mission critical business education and development needs. The original member companies are 3M, ChevronTexaco, Deere & Co., Eaton, General Motors, Levi Strauss & Co, Motorola, Northwest Airlines, Owens Corning, Owens-Illinois, Pfizer Inc, Pilkington, and UnitedHealth Group. For more information, visit www.learnshare.com.

About Ninth House

Ninth House, Inc. provides leadership development solutions that integrate content from leading business experts with self-paced online courses and practical simulations to more effectively develop leaders at all levels of an organization. The Ninth House curriculum addresses the most relevant issues an organization faces—from leadership and innovation, to building community in

the workplace, to managing change. Ninth House's leadership development solutions are easily scaleable, customized and deployed to a corporation's workforce based on business needs; thereby, providing organizations with rapid, measurable impact on employee behavioral change, while increasing productivity. Ninth House customers include nearly 200 global 2000 and government organizations globally such as Amazon.com, British Telecommunications, Hyperion Software, SSM Healthcare, United States Navy, and United States Department of Justice. Ninth House is headquartered in San Francisco, CA. For more information, please visit the Ninth House website at: www.ninthhouse.com, or call: 415-277-8200.

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