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ST. LOUIS McDONALD'S MANAGER HONORED WITH RAY KROC AWARD

St. Louis, MO February 20, 2007- Lisa Statler of St. Louis recently received the coveted McDonald's Ray Kroc award. This is a nationwide honor rewarding the top one percent of U.S. restaurant managers, making it the highest honor bestowed upon a McDonald's Restaurant manger.

Lisa manages two McDonald's Restaurants in the Crestwood area for Owner/operators Tom and Pat Hillmeyer. She began her career with McDonald's in 1978 and has been a restaurant manager since 1985.

"Her dedication to her customers and crew shows everyday. I know people who go out of their way to visit Lisa's restaurants simply because of the fast and friendly service," said Tom Hillmeyer, McDonald's Owner/operator.

Each year the best of the best get recognized for their dedication to operational excellence and reinforcing McDonald's commitment to people and building the business. A total of six managers were awarded in the Heartland region, each receiving a \$2,500 cash bonus and recognition at a special awards ceremony later this spring in Chicago with McDonald's USA President, Don Thompson.

Ray Kroc founded McDonald's at age 52 and built the business on the belief that greatness can only be achieved through the dedication and support of a company's people. The award was named after him based on his commitment to people and recognizing their contributions to the organization he helped establish. Nominations were solicited from McDonald's owner/operators and staff members, and were reviewed by a selection committee.

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