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FRIENDS OF THE HOUSE GEARING UP FOR GREAT THINGS IN 2015

AUSTIN, TX (February 10, 2015) - Friends of the House, the young professional group that supports Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Central Texas (RMHC CTX), is pleased to announce their 2015 Leadership Council. This leadership group is responsible for organizing volunteerism, fundraising and social activities to support families with hospitalized children that rely on RMHC CTX.

The new Leadership Council members include Benjamin Morton, President; Jordan Mullins, Past President; Kimmi Selinger, Social Co-Chair; Amy Gerber, Social Co-Chair; Julie Arnold, Service Co-Chair; Cisco Guzman, Service Co-Chair; Katie Owen, Membership Co-Chair; Katie Parker, Member Co-Chair; Minkun Zhang, Treasurer; Stacie Bennett, Secretary; Jenny Overton, Education & Outreach; Shaina Pollak, Communications Chair; Matt Dorsen, Member-At-Large; Scott Thornton, Member-At-Large; and Katharine Grieve, Member-At-Large.

Friends of the House is a group of vibrant, young Austin professionals giving back to their community through volunteering and fundraising. By participating on cook teams to prepare meals for families, attending bi-monthly events such as the speaker series luncheon and hosting their annual House Party fundraiser, Friends of the House members are making a big difference in the lives of the families that stay at the Ronald McDonald House and Ronald McDonald Family Rooms.

"Watching the growth in membership, fundraising, volunteer hours and how all our efforts supported families this past year, I believe Friends of the House is one of the most engaging and impactful young professional groups in Austin," comments Benjamin Morton, President of the Friends of the House Leadership Council. "As the incoming President, I am excited and honored to lead such a vibrant and exceptional group of young, philanthropic individuals that combine their network development with community impact to make a big difference."

For more information about joining Friends of the House, visit www.rmhc-ctx.org/friends.



Friends of the House 2015 Leadership Council; (L to R) back row: Katie Parker, Jordan Mullins, Matthew Dorsen, Benjamin Morton, Cisco Guzman; front row: Julie Arnold, Kimmi Selinger, Amy Gerber, Katharine Grieve, Stacie Bennett, Shaina Pollak; Not Shown: Minkun Zhang, Jenny Overton, Katie Owen, Scott Thornton

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About Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Texas®

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Texas, a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) organization, creates, finds and supports programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children. Through its Ronald McDonald House® and Ronald McDonald Family Room® programs, RMHC CTX provides a comforting, supportive “home-away-from-home” for families as their critically ill or injured children heal in Austin-area hospitals. The Ronald McDonald House is a 30 guest room, nurturing home-like environment and the Ronald McDonald Family Rooms are located within three Austin hospitals. For more information, visit www.rmhc-ctx.org.

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