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### **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Mary Tappouni, President of Breaking Ground, named First Vice Chairman of Child Guidance Center Board of Directors**

*Jacksonville, FL July 25, 2007* - Breaking Ground Contracting Company, a commercial general contractor headquartered in Jacksonville, FL, is pleased to announce that the company's president, Mary Tappouni, was recently named First Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Child Guidance Center in Jacksonville. The Center has been assisting children, adolescents and their families cope with the stresses of life for over 55 years.

"Mary Tappouni is every CEO's dream for a board member" said Veronica Valentine, CEO of Child Guidance Center. "Not only does she dedicate her time to the board, but she also assists with the Center's annual Back to School Supply Drive, coordinates holiday gift donations to their families in need, and encourages organizations to incorporate the Child Guidance Center into their philanthropic programs". Tappouni has been promoting Child Guidance Center's mission since 2004.

This year as First Vice Chair, Tappouni will continue to support the annual Back to School Supply Drive and expand participation throughout the community in their philanthropic programs.



Mary G. Tappouni, President, Breaking Ground Contracting Company

**About Child Guidance Center**

CGC is a fee-based agency and accepts payment for services rendered. The Center currently accept Medicaid, Medipass, Harmony, TriCare, TANF, First Coast Advantage (Shands), Magellan, United Behavioral Health, Phy Trust (Access), and Children's Medical Services insurance payments. Other insurance may also be eligible. Please call to inquire. Programs are provided on a sliding fee scale so financial problems need not be a barrier to obtaining services. Child Guidance Center is a private, not-for-profit organization. The Center is grateful for the financial support provided by Florida's Department of Children and Families, the City of Jacksonville, Jacksonville Children's Commission, United Way, Duval County School Board, Family Support Services of North Florida, Inc., and the many individuals who have generously given to the Center. For more information visit their website at [www.childguidancecenter.org](http://www.childguidancecenter.org).

**About Breaking Ground Contracting Company**

A State-of-Florida certified woman owned business, Breaking Ground Contracting Company is an award-winning, commercial general contractor providing quality construction services to both public and private clients. With demonstrated experience in health and fitness facilities, medical and professional offices, institutional and government projects, as well as numerous specialty construction projects, Breaking Ground offers clients the solutions they need to reach their construction goals. The company's portfolio includes new construction, renovations, tenant build outs, and additions with services in general and sustainable (LEED) construction, pre-construction, design/build and construction management. Breaking Ground Contracting Company strives to be a leader in sustainable construction through their commitment to high-performance building and environmentally conscious practices. For more information on Breaking Ground Contracting Company, please visit their website at [www.breakinggroundcontracting.com](http://www.breakinggroundcontracting.com) or contact Ellen Leroy-Reed at (904) 388-1350.

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