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Koch Industries Sponsors Habitat Home

WICHITA, Kan. – Beginning today, more than 600 Wichita-based employees of Koch companies including Koch Industries, Inc., Flint Hills Resources and INVISTA, will volunteer to completely build a home for Wichita Habitat for Humanity (WHFH). Koch companies have also committed generous financial support, including a lead gift of \$55,000 from Flint Hills Resources. This will be the third WHFH home built by Koch employees, with the first home built in 2001 and the second home in 2005.

The current vacant lot at 1710 S. Bonn, in Wichita, will feature two bedrooms, a carport and storage shed. It is scheduled to be completed by June 22. A family has already been selected for the home and will take possession in early July. The family was selected based on three main criteria areas: the family's need for adequate housing, their ability to pay the monthly no-interest mortgage for 20 years, and their willingness to complete a total of 250 to 400 hours of sweat equity.

WHFH homes are simple decent homes, but feature well-insulated walls, ceilings, and windows; modern fixtures and appliances and are constructed using quality materials. These homes give a sense of security and the pride of ownership to deserving families in Sedgwick County. All WHFH homes are built by volunteers.

About Wichita Habitat for Humanity: Habitat for Humanity International is a non-profit ecumenical Christian housing ministry that welcomes to its work all people dedicated to the cause of eliminating poverty housing. Since its founding in Americus, Ga., in 1976, Habitat has built more than 200,000 houses in nearly 100 countries, providing simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 1 million people. Habitat homes are sold at no profit and purchased by low-income households through no-profit 0%-interest mortgages. The local Wichita Habitat for Humanity chapter, founded in 1986, has built 74 homes in the Sedgwick County area. The affiliate also operates Habitat's ReStore, a new and used home improvement products resale store at 3125 E. Harry, Wichita, KS. For more information about how to donate to the program and store, or about getting involved as a volunteer, visit www.wichitahabitat.org.

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