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### **Global Links Director Kathleen Hower Receives 2010 Johnson Institute Award for Exemplary Leadership**

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Global Links Executive Director Kathleen Hower has been selected to receive the 2010 Johnson Institute Award for Exemplary Leadership. The award is given annually to an individual who exemplifies outstanding public service, ethics and accountable leadership.

"This year, in the wake of the G-20 Summit which celebrated Pittsburgh as a global city, we decided to honor a leader who has a significant Pittsburgh connection and whose work has had a global impact," says Dr. Kevin P. Kearns, Professor and Director of the Johnson Institute for Responsible Leadership. "As a co-founder and executive director of Global Links, Kathleen has leveraged one of our most significant local assets in order to make a profound international impact in developing countries."

Hower, who cofounded Global Links in 1989, will formally receive her award at a ceremony on March 25 at the University Club, University of Pittsburgh at 4:00 p.m.

#### About Global Links:

Global Links is a registered 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization that collaborates with U.S. institutions to recover surplus medical materials before consignment to land-fills and makes them available to hospitals abroad through their ongoing programs. Because poorly planned donations can be worse than no aid at all, each donation is carefully tailored to meet the needs of the recipient institution. Dedicated volunteers help Global Links to maintain high quality standards and low costs. Since its founding in 1989, Global Links has provided more than \$160 million in critical medical aid to developing nations, including Bolivia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica and Nicaragua. More information at [www.globallinks.org](http://www.globallinks.org).

#### About the Johnson Institute for Responsible Leadership:

The mission of the Johnson Institute for Responsible Leadership, a program of the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs (GSPIA), is to enhance professional and institutional ethics and accountability in public leadership. We accomplish this mission through an integrated portfolio of programs including teaching, research and outreach. These three aspects of the Johnson Institute mission work in concert to enhance the quality of public leadership in government, nonprofit, and nongovernmental organizations in the United States and abroad.

The Johnson Institute envisions having a direct and meaningful impact on the quality of leadership in public and private institutions. Further, we envision being recognized as a premiere center for teaching, research, and community service focused on the topic of ethics, accountability, and responsible leadership in public life. "

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