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### **Mother Teresa Middle School Opens Doors for Regina Youth**

**Regina, SK** – September 6, 2011 – Mayor Pat Fiacco, and Paul J. Hill, Chairman President and CEO, The Hill Companies, joined students and faculty to officially announce the grand opening of the Mother Teresa Middle School (MTMS) of Regina. The school opened its doors to highly motivated, economically disadvantaged youth and is the first NativityMiguel Network educational facility to establish roots in Canada. The Network supports schools in over 60 communities in North America providing grade 6, 7 and 8 students with mentorship support throughout their academic career to employment, smaller classroom sizes of approximately 20 students, and an extended school day and school year. “Our work is driven by incredibly passionate leaders whose impact will be lasting as they offer the students and families of Regina hope for a brighter future,” said Melodie Wyttenbach, Director of Mission Effectiveness, NativityMiguel Network.

The motivation behind establishing MTMS was realized nearly fifteen years ago, when Paul J. Hill met with Mother Teresa along with other business leaders. Paul said, “Near the end of the visit, the group was so moved by her words that we asked how we could support her efforts.” Mother Teresa exclaimed, “I would like you to identify a need in your community and then give of yourself and your resources to fill this need.” Mr. Hill comments, “Supporting youth through education is paramount in breaking the cycle of poverty, which I believe is a need in our community.”

The NativityMiguel model has a proven track record for success with 82% of eighth graders graduating from high school and 67% of these students choosing to enroll in post secondary education. “I strongly believe in the NativityMiguel model,” said Curtis Kleisinger, Principal, MTMS. “Our entire faculty is honored to have the opportunity to partner with our students and their parents to ensure they are provided with every opportunity to pursue their dreams.”

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