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ATTORNEY HENRY BASKIN NAMED HONORARY CHAIRPERSON FOR HAVEN'S PRESTIGIOUS PROMENADE OF HOPE CHARITY GALA

MARCH 16, 2009, BIRMINGHAM, MI – One of Michigan's top family practice attorneys, Henry Baskin, will serve as Honorary Co-Chair of the 2009 Promenade of Hope Gala. It is the signature fundraiser sponsored annually by HAVEN, an Oakland County-based non-profit that provides support services and works to eliminate domestic violence and sexual assault.

"I am proud to be part of this year's Promenade of Hope Gala," said Baskin. "HAVEN provides critical services and support for victims of domestic violence and their families, in our community. I look forward to seeing the community come together to support those efforts that promote a safer environment for us all.

HAVEN President Beth L. Morrison, said that Baskin has "demonstrated a rich history of work in the area of domestic violence," making him an ideal candidate for the honorary chair distinction.

Baskin holds a lifetime achievement award from the State Bar of Michigan for his extensive work in family law. He is also highly regarded for his work in securing legislation against domestic violence.

Among his most prestigious accomplishments, Baskin helped to ensure a higher level of safety and security for both women and children through the use of Personal Protection Orders. He authored and was instrumental in bringing about the PPO, which is now considered a benchmark in Michigan as well as other states.

Throughout the course of his career, Baskin has been a champion for women's rights. He was appointed by the Governor to serve as chairman of the state's Domestic Violence Task Force. The Department of Justice has recognized Baskin with its Outstanding Service to Victims Award.

The 2009 Promenade of Hope Gala is set for May 7, at Meadowbrook Hall in Rochester. Pledges will support HAVEN's mission to eradicate the abuse of women and improve life for all.

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