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## NEWS RELEASE

### ***Burly Comedian and Actor- Brad Garrett to headline "Laughing Matters" slated for March 5, 2011 at the new JW Marriott Local Industrial Leader a top sponsor***

**INDIANAPOLIS—December 7, 2010** —Cancer Support Community, a non-profit organization offering free programs of support, education and hope for people with cancer and their loved ones, announced today **Brad Garrett** has been confirmed as the comedic talent for their Laughing Matters charity fundraiser and that Ingersoll Rand has signed on as its first top sponsor.

Brad Garrett played Ray Romano's big brother Robert on the hit CBS series "Everybody Loves Raymond," which has earned him five Emmy nominations and in 2002, 2003 and 2005 Emmy Awards for Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Comedy Series. In nine seasons on CBS, "Everybody Loves Raymond" continued to be a critical and ratings success, posting numbers worthy enough to win its time slot every week.

In 2002, Garrett played Jackie Gleason in the critically acclaimed CBS film, "Gleason," for which he earned an Emmy Award nomination and Screen Actors Guild Award nomination for Outstanding Actor in a Movie or Miniseries. He starred in Disney's hit comedy, "The Pacifier," Warner Bros., "Music and Lyrics," with Hugh Grant and Drew Barrymore and on Broadway in Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple." He can be heard in Fox's "Night at the Museum," Disney's "Underdog," Pixar/Disney feature, "A Bug's Life" and as Bloat the blowfish in Pixar/Disney's, "Finding Nemo" , as well as in Pixar's Academy Award winning animated film, "Ratatouille." Garrett starred in the Fox comedy series, "'Til Death" and performs his stand-up act to sold out theatres across America.

Ingersoll Rand (NYSE:IR) is a world leader in creating and sustaining safe, comfortable and efficient environments in commercial, residential and industrial markets. With over 1,000-plus employees in the Indianapolis area, the diversified industrial is committed to serving its local communities in which it operates.

"Continuing our long tradition of civic involvement here in Indianapolis is important to our employees, who are passionate about giving back and helping build healthier communities," says Helen Pryor, chairperson of the Cancer Support Community Board and Director - Financial Planning and Analysis for Ingersoll Rand. "I'm very pleased that Ingersoll Rand has chosen to support the terrific work of our CSC employees and volunteers, who provide such valuable services for cancer patients and their families." Two of Ingersoll Rand's business units, the Security Technologies Sector and the Residential Solutions Sector, are headquartered in Carmel, and Indianapolis is also home to the company's Von Duprin manufacturing facility on Tobey Drive, an engineering test facility and sales office on Hillsdale Court, as well as a district office for Trane Commercial. Ingersoll Rand also has a Trane manufacturing facility in Rushville.

#### **About Laughing Matters**

The organization's signature fundraising event features a comedian, dinner, cocktails and a silent auction. In March 2010, the event was headlined by famed comedic legend Joan Rivers. "This year, we chose Brad Garrett because he's a well known comedian and Joan is a tough act to follow, but we think Brad can do it", says Kathleen Spears, the organization's president and CEO. "Everybody knows him from *Everybody Loves Raymond*, plus he used to perform in Indianapolis before he became so famous – so we're glad to bring him back" Spears says. Spears also hopes that being one of the first charities to hold their fundraiser at the new world class JW Marriott will be a big draw, too. "We think we have the right mix for the ultimate 'un-gala gala' – great comedian, great people, and a great location!" says Spears.

- Saturday, March 5, 2011
- JW Marriott
- 6:00 p.m.
- \$175 per ticket; "L.O.L." VIP Tables of 10 - \$1,800

Sponsorship opportunities are available. To purchase tickets, tables, or sponsorships, contact Sara Anderson, at 317-257-1505.

### **About Cancer Support Community**

Cancer Support Community (CSC) provides psycho-social and education programs to people affected by cancer at no charge. CSC was founded as The Wellness Community-Central Indiana in 1995. Approximately 200 individuals were served during 1995 and that number has increased to nearly 900 individuals during 2009. Operating from the *Paulsen Family Center*, 5150 W. 71<sup>st</sup> St., Indianapolis, the mission of Cancer Support Community is to ensure that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action, and sustained by community. Cancer Support Community is a member of a national movement of over 60 facilities worldwide and part of the largest provider of fee - free, psychological and emotional cancer support in the world. CSC's services include support groups and stress management programs for individuals and their families affected by cancer. CSC is not an alternative to medical treatment -- it is an integral part of a comprehensive approach to treating cancer. For more information and the programming schedule call Cancer Support Community at (317) 257-1505 or visit [www.cancersupportindy.org](http://www.cancersupportindy.org).

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