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Carroll Family Gift Offers New Opportunities for The Natalie G. Heineman Smart Love Preschool

May 15, 2011 – Chicago, IL: [Smart Love Family Services](#) announces the generous donation of \$30,000 from Emily and Robert Carroll and the Carroll Family. The unprecedented gift is designated for [The Natalie G. Heineman Smart Love Preschool](#), a new preschool founded on the well-established Smart Love principles of child development. One of the preschool's two classrooms will carry a plaque recognizing the generosity of the Carroll Family.

“The remarkable generosity of the Carroll Family allowed The Natalie G. Heineman Smart Love Preschool to furnish and stock its second classroom ahead of schedule,” noted Carolyn Stolper Friedman, the Executive Director of Smart Love Family Services. “Bob and Emily have been friends and supporters of the organization since its inception. Over the past 10 years, Emily has been a hands-on volunteer in supporting the work and expanding the Smart Love organization. As an experienced social work professional and a passionate advocate for the humanistic ideals of Smart Love, she has, from the very beginning, given generously of her time to support the growth of Smart Love Family Services, and most recently The Natalie G. Heineman Smart Love Preschool where she volunteers in the school office. We are pleased to have their names associated with the school with a plaque in their honor. It will serve as an eternal reminder of their commitment to helping young children love learning and school.”

For Emily and Bob Carroll, the donation was an opportunity for them to demonstrate their high regard for Smart Love. “The Carroll Family gift represents multiple meanings for us,” they said. “We admire and appreciate the tremendous discoveries of the Piepers’s work, which we have been following for many years. And we delight in helping implement their theories in the preschool. Our greatest reward is to see as many preschoolers and their families as possible enjoy this very special preschool experience.”

[The Natalie G. Heineman Smart Love Preschool](#) is housed in a beautiful historic mansion on tree-lined Buena Avenue in the Buena Park Historic District on Chicago’s North Side. The Preschool consists of two classrooms, a children’s library, and a toddler play space. Preschoolers are able to also enjoy the outdoor setting which boasts an expansive garden. The noteworthy property also houses Smart Love Family Services, the nine year old non-profit that, in addition to the preschool, provides counseling for children, teens, and adults; parenting classes and mental health consultation and parenting seminars to schools, agencies and the medical field. For more information about The Natalie G. Heineman Smart Love Preschool, Smart Love Family Services, or to make a donation, please call Carolyn Stolper Friedman at 773.665.8052 or email her at carolyn.friedman@smartlovefamily.org.

The Natalie G. Heineman Smart Love Preschool is based on the Smart Love philosophy which was developed by two highly respected experts, Martha Heineman Pieper, Ph.D. and William J. Pieper, M.D. The preschool provides a setting that promotes children’s long-term academic success by strengthening children’s social and emotional health and inspiring their intellectual creativity through play-based learning. Supported by the latest child development research, Smart Love has been successfully applied by trained professionals in a broad range of settings for over three decades. For more information please visit www.smartloveschool.org.