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*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

CARDINALS TO DEDICATE YADIER MOLINA FIELD TUESDAY (April 19)
Field in Wellston is one of 19 youth baseball fields sponsored by Cardinals Care

ST. LOUIS, April 18, 2011 – Cardinals Care and the Redbird Rookies will honor Cardinals two-time All-Star and three-time Gold Glove catcher, Yadier Molina, with the dedication of Yadier Molina Field at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 19th in Wellston, Missouri.

Wellston Mayor Linda Whitfield and a representative for St. Louis County Executive Charlie Dooley will join Cardinals Catcher Yadier Molina, Cardinals President Bill DeWitt III, Cardinals Vice President of Community Relations & Cardinals Care Michael Hall in a special ceremony led by Cardinals broadcaster Dan McLaughlin from Fox Sports Midwest.

Yadier Molina Field is located at 6335 Plymouth Ave. in Wellston on what used to be an abandoned parking lot. Today, Yadier Molina Field is the home playing field for the Wellston Redbird Rookies program and neighboring Redbird Rookie leagues comprised of boys and girls ages 5 to 13.

The professionally designed youth baseball field is the result of a six figure investment by Cardinals Care that includes a graded and irrigated playing field, two paved and covered dugouts, bleachers, fencing and a state-of-the art solar powered scoreboard. The field will play an integral role in teaching Redbird Rookies participants the values of teamwork, integrity, self-esteem, and leadership.

The field is named after Molina, who as a catcher for the Cardinals has won three straight Rawlings Gold Glove awards from 2008-10. The two-time All-Star was an integral part of the 2006 World Championship Cardinals as he led the team with a .358 post season batting average and hit the eventual game winning two-run homer in the ninth inning of game seven of the National League Championship Series at New York.

Yadier Molina Field is one of 19 baseball fields established by Cardinals Care in conjunction with their Redbird Rookies program. Cardinals Care has distributed over \$17 million to area organizations that support kids. Funding comes from Cardinals players, the team's ownership group, local business, and most importantly Cardinals fans.

WHAT: DEDICATION OF YADIER MOLINA FIELD
WHO: Yadier Molina, Bill DeWitt III, Michael Hall, Dan McLaughlin
WHEN: Tuesday, April 19
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
WHERE: 6335 Plymouth Avenue in Wellston, Missouri
INFO: An invitation with driving directions is attached

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Cardinals Care cordially invites you to attend
the dedication of...

Yadier Molina Field

In Wellston

6335 Plymouth Ave.

St. Louis, MO 63133

Tuesday, April 19, 2011

Ceremony begins promptly at 9:30 a.m.

From Busch Stadium:

Take I-64 W/US-40 W

Exit #34 Clayton/Skinker

Turn right (North) on Skinker

Travel 2.4 miles

Turn left on Etzel Ave.

Turn right on Steven Jones Ave.

Arrive at ballpark in one block at Plymouth and Steven Jones Ave.

From Airport:

Take I-70 E

Exit #242 Jennings Station Road

Turn right (South) on Jennings Station Road

Travel 3 miles (Jennings Station Road becomes Kienlen, then Skinker)

Turn right on Etzel Ave.

Turn right on Steven Jones Ave.

Arrive at ballpark in one block at Plymouth and Steven Jones Ave.

In case of heavy rain, please call 314-345-9419 for postponement information.

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