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**OFFICE DEPOT FOUNDATION PRESIDENT MARY WONG
HONORED AT DRESS FOR SUCCESS WORLDWIDE GALA**

Delray Beach, Fla., April 15, 2008 – Mary Wong, president of the [Office Depot Foundation](#), was honored for her achievements in corporate citizenship during the “Something To Share: Dress for Success Worldwide Gala 2008” on April 9 at the Marriott Marquis in New York. The sold-out gala, which attracted nearly 1,300 attendees, raised more than \$1.2 million to enhance and expand Dress for Success’ suiting and employment retention programs.

Wong has been president of the independent, non-profit Office Depot Foundation since it assumed an expanded role as the primary charitable giving arm of Office Depot (NYSE: ODP) in 2007. She had served as Director of Community Relations for Office Depot since 2000.

“I am proud to honor Mary, a woman with indomitable spirit and endurance and one of my everyday heroes,” said Joi Gordon, CEO of Dress for Success Worldwide. “Mary’s desire to do and to be the best exemplifies the heart and soul of our organization and the women we serve.”

“Mary Wong is an outstanding choice to receive this honor,” noted Steve Odland, Chairman and CEO of Office Depot. “Her commitment to corporate citizenship is unwavering. The entire Office Depot family greatly appreciates the good work that Mary carries out as President of the Office Depot Foundation and congratulates her on this well-deserved recognition.”

“I am truly humbled by this honor,” Wong said. “I have been a strong supporter of Dress for Success for a number of years and have seen many examples of its outstanding efforts to promote the economic independence of disadvantaged women – a goal that meshes very well with the strategic priorities of the [Office Depot Foundation](#).”

Also honored during the Dress for Success gala were Doug Checkeris, CEO of MediaCom USA, and Rosemarie Ryan, president of JWT New York. Special guests included music artist Jill Scott, TV host and author Sandra Lee, cosmetics giant Bobbi Brown, Janice Combs (mother of Sean Combs) and Star Jones.

Wong serves on the Board of Directors of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for a Competitive Workforce and the National Advisory Board of the National Recovery Fund of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Business Civic Leadership Center, where she is Vice Chair of the Business Disaster Assistance and Recovery Program. She is a member of the White House Disaster Assistance Recovery and Volunteerism Committee. She also serves on the boards of directors of Gifts In Kind International, the Epilepsy Foundation of America and the Donors Forum of South Florida.

A frequent speaker to nonprofit organizations and business groups on the topic of corporate citizenship and philanthropy, Wong was an invited participant in “Compassion in Action,” a roundtable presented by the White House Office of Faith Based Initiatives, in 2007. She also moderated a panel entitled “How Businesses Can Support Student Learning” at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Education and Workforce Summit and served as a panelist on the topic of “Lessons Learned About Long-Term Recovery” for the U.S. Chamber Business Civic Leadership Center’s Disaster Assistance and Recovery Forum.

In October 2007, Wong received the 2007 Leadership Award from the National Foundation for Women Legislators (NFWL). She was honored by the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce in July 2007 with its inaugural “D.I.A.M.O.N.D. Award” (Dedicated, Inspiring, Accomplished, Motivated, Outstanding, Noble, and Driven), which goes to an outstanding businesswoman who encompasses these qualities.

About the Office Depot Foundation

The Office Depot Foundation is an independent foundation that serves as the primary charitable giving arm of Office Depot. In keeping with its mission, Listen Learn Care, the Foundation strives to make a positive impact on many lives in many communities around the world. The Foundation supports a variety of programs that enhance the quality of life for children, strengthen communities, encourage local and global economic growth, and empower schools and non-profit organizations. It also provides support when disasters strike – doing what it can, not only to speed the process of rebuilding, but also to mitigate the impact of future disasters. For more information about the Office Depot Foundation, visit www.officedepotfoundation.org.

About Dress for Success

Dress for Success is an international not-for-profit organization that promotes the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support and the career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life. Since starting operations in 1997, Dress for Success has expanded to more than 85 cities in the U.S., Canada, New Zealand, the Netherlands and the UK. To date, Dress for Success has helped more than 400,000 women work towards self-sufficiency. Visit www.dressforsuccess.org to learn more.

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Photo Caption: Joi Gordon, CEO of Dress for Success Worldwide (left) with Mary Wong, President of the Office Depot Foundation