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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## RIVERSIDE PARK, ANGEL OF HOPE MEMORIAL HONORED

TEMPLE TERRACE, FL. – (4/30/10) – Temple Terrace's *Riverside Park* and *Angel of Hope Memorial Garden* have won two planning and design awards in regional competitions.

The Angel of Hope Memorial Garden opened last fall at Riverside Park, a beautiful, tree-shaded 1.9-acre park on Riverhills Drive. The park includes unique playground structures, picnic facilities and restrooms, as well as being home to the Angel of Hope memorial.

The memorial commemorates children whose lives have been cut short, offering a place for bereaved families to contemplate and celebrate those lives. A winding, brick pathway leads to a bronze statue of an angel with outstretched wings. Similar memorials are in about 100 cities nationwide.

Thursday night, the park and memorial were recognized at the 28<sup>th</sup> annual *Community Design Awards* presented by the Hillsborough County City-County Planning Commission. A total of 16 awards were issued in such areas as urban design, residential design and environmental sensitivity. Riverside Park and the Angel of Hope Memorial Garden were honored with an Award of Merit in the Public Projects category.

Last month, the park and memorial took second place in the Cultural/Sports/Recreational category at the 18<sup>th</sup> annual *Future of the Region Awards*, presented by the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council.

The awards recognize projects that make meaningful contributions to the area's quality of life, said TBRPC Director Manny Pumariega.

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