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KETTERING INSURANCE MERGES WITH WAGNER INSURANCE AGENCY

DAYTON, OH (May 12, 2009) Kettering Insurance Agency, an independent insurance agency located at 505 E. Stroop Rd. in Kettering, announces its merger with Wagner Insurance Agency, located at 1050 S. Main St. in Dayton. The resulting organization will be one of the largest local independent agencies operating three offices in the Greater Dayton Area in the area. Those offices are Kettering Insurance 505 E Stroop, Wagner Insurance 1050 S. Main St, and West Milton located at 308 S Miami Street

Wagner Insurance Agency was founded by Robert P. Wagner in 1937. The agency was carried on for 55 years by Bob Wagner Jr before being taken over by Mike Wagner last year. With the Kettering Insurance merger, Wagner Insurance Agency now represents Anthem Insurance Co., Auto Owners Insurance Company, Banner Life Insurance Co, Gen Worth Life Insurance Co., Grange Mutual Insurance Company, Ohio Causality Insurance Company, Safeco Insurance Company, Travelers Insurance, United Health Care, and Westfield Insurance Company.

Kettering Insurance Agency was started in 1984 by Tom and Larry Smith upon their purchase of the E. Stroop Rd. building. The Smith's have been in the insurance business for 54 years, engaged in the selling and servicing of personal and commercial products. "I am very happy to be merging with Wagner Insurance," says Larry Smith. Our combined markets will give our policy holders greater access to the best insurance companies." The office on Stoop Rd will continue to operate under the name Kettering Insurance Agency. Both Tom and Larry plan to remain involved in the agency. Carol Loudon, their primary service employee, will also remain with the agency. The merger will not affect the coverages and policies of Kettering Insurance clients.

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Mike Wagner, president and owner of Wagner Insurance Agency, assures that customers "...will continue to receive the same expert advice and fast, efficient claims service they have come to expect from Kettering Insurance Agency. Our goal is to give policy holders what they want: competitive pricing, value, and expert insurance advice. We want to be the terrific home town insurance agency"

For more information about the Wagner Insurance Agency and the Kettering Insurance Agency please visit them online at www.wagnerinsurance.com or, for more information about the merger contact Mike Wagner at (937) 223-2232.

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