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MISSY STRAUCH TO RECEIVE MINNESOTA FOOTBALL HONORS FRED ZAMBERLETTI AWARD

MINNEAPOLIS, MN – March 24, 2016 - Missy Strauch has spent more than two decades in athletic training at multiple levels of sports. In recognition of her services, she has been named the recipient of the Fred Zamberletti Award. The Minnesota Chapter of the National Football Foundation will present the award at the 9th Annual Minnesota Football Honors on April 17 at the Hilton Minneapolis.

Strauch is currently in her 17th year as the head athletic trainer and adjunct professor at Augsburg College, where she received the Outstanding Staff Award in 2015. She has also earned a 25-year award from the National Athletic Trainers' Association

At Augsburg, Strauch supervises four certified athletic trainers and 10 student sports medicine assistants. She serves more than 500 athletes and is the primary athletic trainer for the Auggies' football, baseball and men's and women's hockey and teams.

Strauch is a Perham, Minn., native who completed her bachelor's degree at North Dakota State University in 1989, then went on to earn her master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in 1994. She started her athletic training career at Orono High School via the Institute for Athletic Medicine. Other career stops included the Orthopedic Clinic in Phoenix, Ariz., and assistant athletic trainer roles at Augustana College and the University of Minnesota.

Strauch is a member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association, the College Athletic Trainers' Society and the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. She has served as president of the Minnesota Athletic Trainers' Association. Additionally, Strauch has provided athletic training services for the Special Olympics, the 1992 cycling Olympic Trials and the 1996 Paralympic Games in Atlanta. She is an avid Minnesota sports fan and resides in Robbinsdale with her dog Zoie.

The 9th Annual Minnesota Football Honors event is presented by the Minnesota Vikings. College and professional football Hall of Fame inductees are scheduled to attend, and WCCO-TV news personality Frank Vascellaro will return for his ninth year as Master of Ceremonies. The event is open to the public. To register or for additional information about this year's Minnesota Football Honors, please visit www.minnesotafootballhonors.com. For sponsorship information, please email lindsay@nffmn.org.

About the Minnesota Chapter of the National Football Foundation

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