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#### **AURORA MENTAL HEALTH CENTER'S 2010 SPRING LUNCHEON EVENT ON MAY 7TH FEATURING "THE CAPITOL STEPS" WAS A ROUSING SUCCESS.**

*CBS4 News' Ed Greene was emcee of the annual fundraiser, with proceeds going to support the programs of the Aurora Mental Health Center*

**May 18, 2010, Aurora, CO** – The Capitol Steps, a group of former Congressional staffers turned comedians who travel the country satirizing the very people and places that employed them, invaded Aurora for the benefit of Aurora Mental Health Center. This annual event helped raise awareness and funds to support the Aurora Mental Health Center's mission of providing quality mental health care and programs that help people of all ages live full, productive, and happy lives. More than 300 guests attended the luncheon, including U.S. Congressman Ed Perlmutter, D-Golden, and officials from the City of Aurora, Denver, Commerce City, Wheat Ridge, Arapahoe County, and school board members from Aurora and Cherry Creek School Districts.

This event took place on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Crowne Plaza Denver International Airport - Conference Center Main Ballroom. The 2010 Spring Benefit Luncheon raises funds and awareness for Aurora Mental Health Center's programs and therapies. This year the funds will go, in part, to support those in our community who need mental health care but who cannot afford it due to the loss of employment and health insurance as a result of the economic downturn. Our Gold Sponsor was Citywide Banks and our Silver Sponsor was the Gay and Lesbian Fund for Colorado.

The Capitol Steps have been entertaining audiences and needling politicians for over twenty-nine years. Their performance on Friday included musical skits that targeted Sarah Palin, Toyota, President Obama, the TSA, Tiger Woods, Vice-President Biden, and just about every other institution in Washington.

The Steps are an equal opportunity satire troupe, lambasting Republicans, Democrats, government institutions, and policies with equal vigor. There was truly no shortage of material, and there was something for everyone.

For more information about this event, please call Cindy Bohl at (303) 617-2300 or visit [www.aumhc.org](http://www.aumhc.org),

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### About Aurora Mental Health Center

The Aurora Mental Health Center is a 501(c)(3) corporation. Currently more than 400 regular employees, 50 interns and 80 volunteers provide services to more than 12,000 people annually. Services are provided by 17 specialty clinics, located in eight counseling and specialized service centers, six residential facilities, public schools, two county departments of human services, in home and foster homes, and at other community locations.

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