

Governor Thanks Ursuline Sister for Years of Service

LOUISVILLE, Ky (June 5, 2009) – Sister Janet M. Peterworth, Director of ABLE Families in Kermit, WV, and Ursuline Sister of Louisville, received The American Institute for Public Service’s Jefferson Award in Charleston, WV, on June 3. Sister Janet was one of five men and women from around the state of West Virginia to be chosen for this award which is designed to recognize private individuals who are performing extraordinary public service in their local communities.



The Jefferson award is given throughout the United States annually, and in West Virginia it is organized by WCHS-TV, WVAH-TV, and several corporate sponsors. The award has three categories: greatest public service performed by an elected official, greatest public service performed by a private citizen, and the greatest public service benefiting the disadvantaged. Sister Janet was honored in the latter category for her work over the last 15 years at A.B.L.E. Families in Mingo County.

Governor Joe Manchin thanked each recipient and presented an award to the five people who were honored at a luncheon at the University of Charleston. For more on ABLE Families and Sister Janet’s work in West Virginia, go to www.ablefamilies.org.