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**Danish Punjabi singer Anita Lerche, voice of Barbie in *Toy Story 2*,
featured at 'An Evening Celebrating Christel House India'**

Indianapolis, Ind. – She commands the stage with her presence and musical talent. A fair, Danish singer with a mastery of the Punjabi language, Anita Lerche, won the MH1 Punjabi Music Award for Best Non-Resident Indian Female Debut. She was the Danish voice of Barbie in *Toy Story 2* and *Toy Story 3*, and is graciously donating her talents to promote Indian culture and build awareness for the work of Christel House at 'An Evening Celebrating Christel House India' on Tuesday, December 17.

The concert will be held at the Cook Theater, Indiana Landmark Center in Indianapolis. There is no cost for the event, but guests are asked to register by December 6 at:

www.ChristelHouseIndia.eventbrite.com

"The Indianapolis Hyderabad Sister City Committee feels privileged and honored to co-host 'An Evening Celebrating Christel House India'. We are excited to be a part of the event and to host Danish singer-songwriter, composer and actress, Anita Lerche in Indianapolis," said Raju Chinthala, President, Indianapolis Hyderabad Sister City Committee.

Christel House India learning centers are located in Bangalore and Lavasa, India and provide high-quality education, nutrition, health care, and career development to more than 1,300 impoverished children. The average Christel House India family lives on only about \$3.50 per day.

An Evening Celebrating Christel House India is co-hosted by Dr. Jaswant and Raj Gidda, the Indianapolis Hyderabad Sister City Committee, Don and Jen Knebel, Michael and Mette Køehn Milland, and Gail Shiel.

In addition, Anita Lerche was also the Danish voice of Ishani in Disney's *Planes* and won a Danish World Music Award for her Indian song 'Maahiya'. To learn more about Anita and her career, please visit: www.anitalerche.com

About Christel House India

Christel House India educates more than 1,300 students living in Bangalore and Lavasa. The obstacles facing these children are daunting – daily exposure to alcoholism, hunger, abuse, drugs, and negative role models – but every day students come to school, learn, and set their sights on a better tomorrow. They have dreams, and Christel House helps them make those dreams a reality. In a country where only 7% of students graduate from high school, Christel House India has a 98% graduation rate. Learn more at: www.christelhouse.org