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## **UNIGROUP, INC. NAMES MAN AND WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

ST. LOUIS -- Donald E. Ellington and Sonja S. Pullaro have been named Man and Woman of the Year for 2001 by UniGroup, Inc., the parent company of United Van Lines, Mayflower Transit, and other transportation-related companies. The announcement was made by Robert J. Baer, president and chief operating officer of UniGroup.

Ellington and Pullaro were selected on the basis of professional performance and contributions to the achievement of corporate and departmental goals. The company has honored a Man and Woman of the Year annually since 1969.

Ellington retired in December as UniGroup's chief financial officer following a 16-year career in the company's financial services area. He joined United Van Lines in 1985 as vice president/controller. In 1995, Ellington was named vice president of finance for Mayflower when UniGroup acquired the van line, and he became UniGroup's chief financial officer in 1997.

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*UniGroup Names Man and Woman of the Year -- add one*

Pullaro, manager of household goods contracts for Mayflower Transit, joined the United Van Lines team in 1984 as a secretary in the marketing division. She subsequently worked as a training coordinator in organization development; a relocation coordinator; and as supervisor, first of corporate account services and then of customer service, before moving to the contracts area in 1998.

UniGroup, Inc. is one of the nation's largest privately owned transportation companies. Its world headquarters offices are located in Fenton, Mo.