

# **YWCA of Metropolitan Detroit**

## **2005 Keeper of the Flame Honorees**

### ***Individual: Nancy Brownrigg***

Nancy has been involved with the YWCA of Metropolitan Detroit since she was a teenager. Being a self-starter she took a typing class to enhance her employability in addition to participating in other activities that developed her leadership skills.

Through the years Nancy's commitment to the YWCA and its Mission has been unwavering. She has used her personal and professional life being a tireless advocate for women's empowerment. Nancy attended Michigan State University, Lawrence Technical Institute in actuarial insurance underwriting.

She has an MBA in International Business and Financial Services. Nancy has been an insurance agent, broker and underwriter since 1974. In 1989, she founded Brownrigg Companies, Ltd., and remains its president. She is a licensed member of the Certified Professional Insurance Women and the National Association of Women Business Owners.

Nancy currently serves as the chair of the YWCA Leadership Team and continues to utilize her resources and expertise to promote our Mission: eliminating racism and empowering women.



### ***Corporate: Nationwide***

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In 2004, Nationwide announced their new partnership with the YWCA of Metropolitan Detroit for our 110<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Nationwide took an active role in our community through direct investment and local level volunteerism. Working with local Nationwide associates and agents, the YWCA expanded our community education and advocacy program in areas of business, domestic property and casualty insurance, life insurance to assure residents of the protection needed to live in a safe and secure environment.

We thank Nationwide for its contribution of time, funds and resources to enhance the work of our Mission: eliminating racism and empowering women.