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Real Estate Institute of Canada Presents “Pursuit of Excellence” Awards Presented at 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting in Toronto, Ontario

Toronto, July 4, 2005 – The Real Estate Institute of Canada (REIC) is pleased to announce the winners of the annual “**Pursuit of Excellence**” awards recently presented at the 50th Anniversary Awards Dinner & Gala on May 29, 2005 during REIC’s Annual Meeting in Toronto, Ontario.

Every year, the Awards Committee, made up entirely of REIC members, reviews the award submissions received by Canadian real estate professionals. The Committee bestows the awards upon those who have made an exceptional contribution to the advancement of REIC and to the promotion and support of REIC goals and objectives.

“REIC Pursuit of Excellence Awards recognizes our outstanding members, chapters and friends, celebrating their dedication and pride in their REIC membership as well as towards their Real Estate Profession”, says Charlene Waters, CPM[®], 2005 Awards Committee Chair.

The Pursuit of Excellence Awards Program is designed to honour those members, chapters and supporters who go the extra mile to further the advancement of the Real Estate Institute of Canada. The competition is an excellent opportunity to showcase professional and community achievements.

The 2005 winners are:

O&Y Enterprise Excellence Award

O&Y Enterprise generously provides a \$1,500 cash award annually to the Canadian CPM[®] candidate who achieves the highest mark on their first submission of the management plan or first writing of the Management Plan Skills Assessment test.

Awarded to: Stephen Harrington, CPM[®] (Surrey, BC)

Morguard Literary Award

In accordance with the Institute’s commitment to further real estate research and journalism, this literary competition recognizes outstanding articles which are relevant to Canadian real estate. Morguard Investments Limited and REIC have co-sponsored this prestigious award since 1967 and the Morguard Literary Awards Program is renowned throughout organized real estate, drawing entries from across Canada.

Awarded to: Michael Appleton for “The Six Hour Realtor” (Toronto, ON)

Patrick J. Harvey Memorial Award

Patrick J. Harvey, one of the founding members of REIC, was instrumental in laying the groundwork for the Institute’s educational program. As a tribute to Mr. Harvey, this honour is bestowed upon the REIC member, who through personal sacrifice and initiative, has contributed to the professional advancement of the Institute through the development of an educational program.

Awarded to: Hans Moehring, FRI CRP – author of “Effective Reserve Fund Planning and Management for Ontario Condominium Corporations – A Practical Reserve Fund Manual.” (Toronto, ON)

Real Estate Board / Association of the Year

This award was created to recognize the valuable contributions made specifically by real estate boards and/or associations towards promoting and supporting the goals and objectives of REIC.

Awarded to: Toronto Real Estate Board (Toronto, ON)

Corporate Citizen Award

The Corporate Citizen Award serves to acknowledge the continuing support and recognition of REIC's real estate industry colleagues through encouraging their employees to pursue an REIC designation, by hiring REIC members and/or by sponsoring "in-house" REIC courses and seminars.

Awarded to: Boardwalk Equities Inc. (Calgary, AB)

Community Services Award

The Community Services Award honours the REIC Chapter or member who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to the local community. Volunteer services and charitable work are at the heart of this award.

Awarded to: REIC Toronto Chapter (Toronto, ON)

J.A. Weber Award

Named in honour of REIC's first national president – Mr. Jack Weber, FRI – the J.A.Weber Award pays tribute to the individual who has made a significant contribution to the advancement and recognition of the Institute at the chapter level.

Awarded to: Andrew L.B. Gordon, FRI CPM® (Toronto, ON)

Don Hill Award

The Don Hill Award, founded by Mr. Don Hill, CPM® in 1975, is presented annually to the Chapter which has achieved the highest membership increase. The competition is comprised of two categories – one for chapters with up to 90 members (Small Chapter) and one for chapters with over 90 members (Large Chapter) and is calculated on a net percentage increase rather than actual membership numbers.

Awarded to: Small Chapter – Lakeshore Chapter (Hamilton, ON)

Large Chapter – IREM Edmonton Chapter (Edmonton, AB)

Most Improved Chapter Award

This award recognizes significant improvements made by a chapter in the areas of number of new members and newly recruited candidates, along with the number of meetings and events held each year compared to the previous year. As with the Don Hill Award, this award is also comprised of a large and small category.

Awarded to: Small Chapter – REIC Victoria Chapter (Victoria, BC)

Large Chapter – REIC Toronto Chapter (Toronto, ON)

Chapter of the Year Award

The Chapter of the Year Award is the Institute's opportunity to honour the best of the best. This award is presented annually to the chapter (large & small) which, through their provision of leading edge member services, have advanced the goals and objectives of the Institute while serving their members to the best of their abilities.

Awarded to: Small Chapter – REIC Edmonton Chapter (Edmonton, AB)

Large Chapter – REIC Toronto Chapter (Toronto, ON)

About REIC

A leader in advanced real estate education, the Real Estate Institute of Canada (REIC) is an association of professionals that has been educating and certifying specialists in real estate since 1955. REIC represents an unsurpassed level of experience, commitment and dedication to real estate in Canada and, as such, is strictly governed by the Institute's Code of Professional Standards to ensure that the Institute's values are upheld for both its members and the consumer. From intense and relevant education, to the leading industry designations, all of REIC's programs serve its mission...

The Real Estate Institute of Canada exists to advance opportunities for persons involved in real estate.

REIC pursues its mission through:

- Providing lifelong learning
- Maintaining a relevant resource centre
- Awarding professional designations
- Creating networking opportunities
- Representing and promoting the real estate industry and profession

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