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El Cajon's David Davis, MAI, Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (May 5, 2010) – David Davis, MAI, of El Cajon, Calif., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's May "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region VII.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest organization of real estate appraisers; Region VII includes Arizona, Hawaii, Southern California, Southern Nevada and Guam. Davis is a member of the Appraisal Institute's San Diego Chapter.

"David Davis is an example of the outstanding individuals who belong to the Appraisal Institute," said Leslie P. Sellers, MAI, SRA, Appraisal Institute president. "We're proud of the contributions David and all our members make to our organization, to the real estate valuation profession and to the communities where they work and live."

Davis has been a member of the Appraisal Institute for 30 years. His service to the Appraisal Institute includes serving as a member of the San Diego Chapter's Board of Directors, including two terms as chapter president in 1996 and 2010, respectively. A former member of the Appraisal Institute's National Education Committee, he currently serves as chairman of the San Diego Chapter's College Scholarship Program and as organizer of the scholarship program's fundraising golf tournament.

Davis has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for 33 years. His service to the profession includes being qualified as an expert witness in San Diego Superior and Municipal Courts and U.S. Bankruptcy Court (San Diego and Orange County); serving as a member on the Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate's Advisory Committee; and working as an adjunct professor at the University of San Diego teaching commercial real estate valuation courses. He has been certified as a general real estate appraiser by the state of California and has become an expert in appraising biotechnology properties. He has owned his own firm, D.F. Davis Real Estate, Inc., since 1986.

In his community, Davis has been a member of the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club since 2008.

Davis, 55, joined one of AI's predecessor organizations in 1980 and earned his MAI designation in 1984. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration with an emphasis in real estate from San Diego State University.

The Appraisal Institute is a global membership association of professional real estate appraisers, with more than 25,000 members and 91 chapters throughout the world. Its mission is to advance professionalism and ethics, global standards, methodologies, and practices through the professional development of property economics worldwide. Organized in 1932, the Appraisal Institute advocates equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in the appraisal profession and conducts its activities in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws. Members of the Appraisal Institute benefit from an array of professional education and advocacy programs, and may hold the prestigious MAI, SRPA and SRA designations. Learn more at www.appraisalinstitute.org.

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