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## **Cape Coral's R. Alan Wilcox Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'**

CHICAGO (Aug. 3, 2011) – R. Alan Wilcox, MAI, SRA, of Cape Coral, Fla., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's August "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region X.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region X consists of Florida and Puerto Rico. Wilcox is a member of the West Coast Florida Chapter.

"Alan Wilcox is an example of the outstanding individuals who belong to the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President Joseph C. Magdziarz, MAI, SRA. "We're proud of the contributions Alan and all our members make to our organization, to the real estate valuation profession and to the communities where they work and live."

A member of the Appraisal Institute since 1984, Wilcox currently serves as vice president of the Appraisers Liability Insurance Program's board of directors, on which he is serving his second year. He also has been a member of AI's Leadership Development and Nominating Committee (2005-2008), a member of the organization's national Board of Directors (2001-04), the last year as Region X chair, and was on the national General Appraisal Board Guidance Subcommittee (1996-1998). He also has served the West Coast Florida Chapter as president (2001), regional representative (1994-2001), vice president (2000), secretary (1999), treasurer (1998), board member (1993-96) and as chair of the chapter's MAI Admissions Committee (1997) and MAI Candidate Guidance (1993-1996). He received his MAI designation in 1992 and his SRA designation in 2003 from the Appraisal Institute.

Since 1993, Wilcox has been president/owner of Wilcox Appraisal Services, Inc. He is a state-certified general real estate appraiser with a real estate broker's license who is a member of the Real Estate Investment Society and was a board member of the Association of Eminent Domain Professionals (2000-01). He won the Outstanding and Dedicated Service Award from the West Coast Florida Chapter of the Appraisal Institute in 1996.

In his community, Wilcox has been a member of Cape Coral First United Methodist Church since 1979, serving as a Sunday school teacher, choir member, youth leader and on various committees. He also has been a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity and has coached in the Cape Coral Soccer Association.

Wilcox, 64, earned his bachelor's of science degree from West Virginia University in 1971, graduating with honors first in his class. He also received a master's of science degree from the University of Washington in 1976. He has been married for 42 years to Patricia Wilcox, SRA, and has two daughters and three grandchildren.

*The Appraisal Institute is a global membership association of professional real estate appraisers, with more than 24,000 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](http://www.appraisalinstitute.org).*

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