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## **Natick's John Drew Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'**

CHICAGO (June 8, 2016) – John R. Drew, MAI, of Natick, Massachusetts, was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's June "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region IV.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region IV consists of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont, as well as the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario and Quebec. Drew is a member of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Chapter.

"John Drew is an outstanding example of the high standards held by Appraisal Institute professionals," said Appraisal Institute President Scott Robinson, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS. "We feel fortunate to have volunteers like John, who are willing to devote their time and talent to helping their communities and advancing the valuation profession."

Drew serves on the Board of Directors and Education Committee of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Chapter. He previously served the Massachusetts Chapter as chair of the Public Relations Committee from 2001-06, and was chair of the Public Relations Committee for the Greater Boston Chapter from 1997-2000. He was a member of the Greater Boston Chapter's Young Advisory Council from 1998-99. Drew joined a predecessor organization of the Appraisal Institute in 1988, and received his MAI designation in 2016.

He has been the manager of the Appraisal and Marketing departments in the Rental Operations Division of the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency since 1987, and has been in the valuation profession for 29 years. Drew received a bachelor's degree from Notre Dame University in South Bend, Indiana, and an MBA from Babson College, in Babson Park, Massachusetts.

His volunteer activities included coaching youth hockey.

Drew and his wife, Brigitte, have two sons.

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