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West Palm Beach's Robert Gore, SRA, Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Feb. 9, 2011) – Robert J. Gore Jr., SRA, was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's February "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region X.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region X includes Florida and Puerto Rico. Gore is a member of the South Florida Chapter.

"Robert Gore 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 Robert and all our members make to our organization, to the real estate valuation profession and to the communities where they work and live."

Gore has been a member of the Appraisal Institute for nearly 30 years. His service to the Appraisal Institute includes being chair of the Education Committee and the SRA Admissions Committee and being a member of the chapter's board of directors, including serving as chapter president. He has served as a regional representative and was Region X finance officer in 1997-98 and in 2000-03. He served two years as the chapter's chair of an annual charitable golf event for the Habitat for Humanity, raising more than \$30,000.

Gore has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for nearly 30 years. His service to the profession includes holding general certification in Florida, working as a licensed real estate broker since 1983 and serving on various boards of the local Board of Realtors. He earned the GRI designation from the National Association of Realtors in 1983 and served on several committees, including education, and conducted several seminars.

Gore, 63, is vice president at Iberia Bank in Royal Palm Beach, Fla., where he has worked since 2010. He earned his SRA designation from the Appraisal Institute in 1987 and his bachelor's degree from Barry College in Miami in 1979. He has been married for 38 years and has four sons and four 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.

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