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## **Winter Springs' Angela Brown Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'**

CHICAGO (June 8, 2011) – Angela Brown, MAI, of Winter Springs, Fla., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's June "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. Brown is a member of the East Florida Chapter.

"Angela Brown 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 Angela 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 1988, Brown has served the Appraisal Institute's East Florida Chapter on its board of directors and in several officer roles, including as president. She also was a regional representative for several years and represented Region X on the AI National General Appraisal Council. She served as chair of the Young Advisory Council, which eventually became the Leadership Development and Advisory Council, and helped launch the Central Florida Real Estate 2011 Valuation Forum, which was attended by appraisers, lenders, developers, leasing agents, attorneys, brokers and the media.

Brown has worked in the real estate valuation profession for 28 years. She was named one of Orlando Business Journal's "40 under 40" honorees and is a Leadership Orlando graduate. She currently serves as an Advisory Board member with the Bergstrom Center for Real Estate Studies at the University of Florida, where she is a frequent guest speaker and mentors real estate graduate students who are interested in the valuation profession. She also has been a guest speaker or panelist with other real estate related organizations, and she is a frequent volunteer at her son's high school.

Brown, 49, is vice president of Meridian Appraisal Group, Inc., in Winter Springs. She earned her bachelor's degree in real estate from University of Florida. She is married and has two sons.

*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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