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Walnut's Barry J. Alperin Honored as Appraisal Institute's 'Volunteer of Distinction'

CHICAGO (Aug. 8, 2012) – Barry J. Alperin, MAI, of Walnut, Calif., was recognized today as the Appraisal Institute's August "Volunteer of Distinction" for Region VII.

The Appraisal Institute is the nation's largest professional association of real estate appraisers; Region VII consists of Arizona, Hawaii, Southern California and Southern Nevada. Alperin is a member of the Southern California Chapter.

"Barry J. Alperin is an excellent ambassador for the Appraisal Institute," said Appraisal Institute President Sara W. Stephens, MAI. "We're privileged to have members like Barry who actively contribute to the real estate valuation profession and to their local communities every day."

Alperin served as regional representative of the Southern California Chapter in 2003-04, 2006-07 and 2009-10 and as president in 2002. For the Appraisal Institute's predecessor organizations, he was admissions chair-general and second vice president of the former Pacific Chapter in 2000, president in 1998 and vice president in 1997. He was vice president of the former Los Angeles Chapter in 1996 and president and secretary of the former Inland Southern California Chapter in 1995. He served for several years as a regional director of the Appraisal Institute, as a speaker at multiregional meetings and on numerous committees. He became a member of the Appraisal Institute in 1973 and received his MAI designation in 1992.

Alperin also has taught various courses for the Appraisal Institute and its predecessor organizations, and has authored, "Industry in Crisis, Reengineering your Appraisal Career."

He has been an appraiser, reviewer and consultant at Alperin Appraisal in Walnut since 1987, and has been involved in the real estate valuation profession for 43 years.

He earned a certificate in real estate from Valley College in Los Angeles, and an advanced certificate with specialization in real estate finance from the University of California, Los Angeles.

He is married to Amelia Alperin; they have three children and six grandchildren.

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