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Third Annual Hampton Roads Housing Consortium Members' Awards Recipients Announced

Chesapeake, VA -- September 21, 2009 – Four winners for the Hampton Roads Housing Consortium's Third Annual Members' Housing Awards were announced today by the organization's Chairman, Wendy A. Hunter. This event recognizes individuals and organizations that have contributed to improving housing conditions for the region.

- HRHC Lifetime Achievement Award Joanna Gwaltney TowneBank Mortgage
- HRHC Housing Warrior Mary Redd Nelson Chesapeake Redevelopment and Housing Authority
- HRHC Housing Partner CPP Management, Inc. – Charlestowne & Timberwoods Project
- HRHC Across the Region Service Award South Hampton Roads Regional Taskforce on Ending Homelessness

The Awards Breakfast, to be held on Wednesday, October 7, 2009 at the Chesapeake Conference Center, will honor the winners. "The recipients of this year's awards truly exemplify the best that this region has to offer in advocating for safe and affordable housing. It is our honor to spotlight their work at the Third Annual Members' Awards Ceremony. The members of HRHC are phenomenal in that they provide exceptional services and resources to meet the housing needs of the residents of Hampton Roads," said Chairman Wendy Hunter.

This event is being co-sponsored by the Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA), Alecia Fisher of Bank of America Home Loans, Tidewater Mortgage Bankers Association, Felicia Jackson of Suntrust Mortgage, Wachovia/A Wells Fargo Company, Iris C. Nance Insurance Agency, and TowneBank Mortgage.

About HRHC: The HRHC is a voluntary association of governmental, private and non-profit organizations committed to improving housing opportunities for low and moderate-income households in Hampton Roads. Participants include city and county governments, Redevelopment and Housing Authorities, non-profit housing and emergency shelter providers, mortgage lenders, realtor and builders associations and a variety of other groups interested in affordable housing issues. Member groups represent most of the sixteen communities within the Hampton Roads region. The HRHC is a federal 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The Hampton Roads Housing Consortium believes that households of all income levels deserve a fair opportunity to buy or rent housing that is safe, affordable and suitable for their needs. The HRHC also supports adequate housing for persons with special needs including the disabled and elderly. Many HRHC members are directly involved with housing development, housing program management or affordable mortgage financing. The HRHC gives these organizations and other interested groups a regional framework for information exchange, training activities and cooperative action.