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The Memphis Area Home Builders Association partners with Habitat for Humanity to Build a Home in Memphis

April 2, 2007 (Memphis, Tenn.) - The Memphis Area Home Builders Association (MAHBA) and Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis will break ground in a partnership to build a home for a local family on April 9, 2007. Both builder and associate members of MAHBA will donate their labor and materials to complete the home.

"The Memphis Area Home Builders Association has a strong relationship with Habitat for Humanity," said Jimmy Moore, MAHBA Board Member and Chairman of the Home Builders Care Committee. "We wanted to step up and do our part for the local Habitat group and they were very receptive to our involvement. If we can help move even one family closer to owning their own home, then we've accomplished the most important mission of the HBA. Our goal is to provide quality, affordable housing to families in all income brackets."

"Member support for this project has been unbelievable," said Moore. "As soon as our associate members heard we were considering doing this project, the phone started to ring with donations of labor and materials. We're proud to have such a strong sense of community involvement in our members."

"We've become more involved with Habitat in the last couple of years. In 2006, we built three homes in one week as part of the National Association of Home Builders "Builders Blitz" event," said Chuck Chambers, of Chamberlain & McCreery and a member of the Home Builders Care Committee.

This Habitat build is called "The Jim Chambers Memorial Habitat Build." Jim Chambers is a former MAHBA Board member and co-chaired the first Home Builders Care Committee. Jim was on the committee when they built their first house for Habitat for Humanity and spent numerous hours supervising the construction of that house.

The project is set to be finished on April 20, 2007 and the new Habitat homeowners will be presented with house keys and a Bible at a dedication ceremony taking place at their homes on Fri., April 20 at 2 p.m.

The Memphis Area Home Builders Association is the voice of the building industry, advancing home ownership through public policy, education, networking and professionalism in Shelby, Tipton and Fayette Counties.

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