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NALFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTS 2007 OFFICERS

WASHINGTON- Members of the North American Laminate Flooring Association (NALFA) board of directors recently elected the officers to lead the organization through its 10th year as a staple in the laminate flooring segment. The chosen officers are experienced professionals within the floor covering industry and will lead the organization's initiatives throughout this celebratory year.

For the past 10 years, NALFA, an organization of U.S. and Canadian manufacturers and importers of laminate flooring products, has been working diligently to improve the laminate flooring industry. Through the assistance of solid leaders, the organization is making substantial strides in improving the quality of the laminate flooring segment.

The following professionals from the flooring industry comprise the officers of NALFA's 2007 board of directors:

Bill Dearing - President – Bill was elected president of NALFA at the first board meeting in 1997 and has since remained president. He is currently the Manager, Specialty Division for North America for Pergo.

Al Boulogne - Treasurer – Al is the Product Manager, Laminate Business, at Mannington Mills, Inc. He has been with Mannington for five years and has a diverse background that includes management positions in both finance and marketing.

Peter Baretto - Secretary – Peter has over 20 years of multifaceted experience in the floor covering industry and is currently the president & CEO and co-owner of TORLYS Inc. He is also the current chairman for the NALFA Marketing Committee.

The NALFA board of directors, comprised of 27 individuals, voted on the new officers at the board's annual meeting held Nov. 7-8 in Carmel, Calif.

NALFA encourages regular members to display the NALFA Certification Seal on their product packaging to promote quality control in the industry and encourages associate members to promote NALFA-certified products.

Formed in 1997, the North American Laminate Flooring Association is an organization of U.S. and Canadian manufacturers and importers of laminate flooring products. NALFA's mission is to encourage the establishment and maintenance of high standards in laminate flooring in North America, to recognize those that meet these standards and to recognize Associate Members who provide products and services to the laminate flooring industry. For more information, visit www.nalfa.com.

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