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Tom Woodyard Announces New Commercial Brokerage Firm

FORT MYERS, Fla. (April 8, 2008) – Tom Woodyard today announced the formation of Woodyard & Associates, LLC, a full-service commercial real estate firm offering sales, leasing and investment opportunities in Southwest Florida. Joining Woodyard in the new company is a team of the area’s top producers including Todd Holman, Hal Arkin, John Kremiski, Steve Wood, Honora Jacobus, Robyn Wright, Alex Wright and Gloria Hooper.

“Since Frank D’Alessandro’s unexpected passing last fall, we have been considering this move,” explains Woodyard. “I am excited about the new venture with this highly motivated, experienced team and look forward to continuing to provide superior service to our clients and the Southwest Florida business community.”

“My focus will remain on providing superior construction services to the region and beyond, while Tom and his team will continue to focus on the full service commercial real estate sales and leasing,” states Todd Gates of Gates D’Alessandro and Woodyard. “The separation of businesses is completely amicable, and we look forward to working together with Woodyard & Associates as opportunity permits.”

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Tom Woodyard has more than 20 years of experience in commercial real estate in Lee County and specializes in the acquisition and disposition of commercial and industrial properties. He is a member of the Greater Fort Myers Realtors, the Florida Association of Realtors and the National Board of Realtors. Tom was awarded the coveted 2006 CoStar Power Broker Award from CoStar Group Inc. for his performance as one of the top brokers in Southwest Florida. He is an active member of the Real Estate Investment Society and serves on its Governing Board of Directors. He is also a member of the Southwest Florida CCIM Chapter, Commercial Investment Professionals and Building Industry Association.

Woodyard & Associates has an agreement with Gates to purchase the listings of the brokerage. Woodyard and his team will assist with the closing of Gates D'Alessandro and Woodyard over the next few weeks.

The offices of Woodyard & Associates will remain in the former location of Gates D'Alessandro and Woodyard, at 7051 Cypress Terrace, Suite 110, in Fort Myers. For more information, call (239) 425-6000.

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