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**BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN NEVADA ANNOUNCES
NEW OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

Reno, Nev.– The Builders Association of Northern Nevada (BANN) installed their 2008 Officers and Directors Friday night with the help of special guest, Congressman Dean Heller. The congressman swore in the new officers beginning with the 2008 President, Greg Peek.

Peek is the Vice President of ERGS Properties, a multi-family development, construction and management company. Prior to joining ERGS (the family business) in 2000, Peek spent 11 years on Capitol Hill working on the legislative staff of two congresswomen and obtaining his law degree.

Peek is committed to continuing to build the association's reputation and providing a great value to its members. "Our industry is facing difficult times," Peek said. "I truly look forward to working with our members to increase our effectiveness in all aspects of industry advocacy."

"At 13 years of age, I started nailing walls together for my dad, swinging a hammer during summers and weekends," Peek recalls. "I've been around construction and development all my life, taking my real life experience and applying it to my work on Capitol Hill. I hope to continue to have the opportunity to contribute in a meaningful way to the industry at all levels – local, state and federal."

At work even while playing, Peek has further demonstrated his leadership skills by starting a Mountain Biking group in 2003. Now in its sixth season, that group is now 131 people strong.

In addition to Peek, other 2008 officers are: First Vice President, Pam Parenti of Lennar Communities; Second Vice President, Joe Lopez of Tanamera Development; Associate Vice President, John Krmpotic of KLS Planning & Design Group; Secretary, Brian Wheeler of Robert A. Wheeler Construction Co.; Treasurer, Rachele Goodness of The Builders Magazine and Immediate Past President, Tony Abreu of Pearce Construction.

The 2008 Board of Directors include: Maggie Christiansen, Christiansen Insurance; Michele Attaway, Somerset; Jeff Codega, Jeff Codega Planning/Design; Lisa Forsman, Pezonella Associates; Bill Fisher, Fleet Heating & Air; Eric Gibbons, Centex Homes; Dave Hendriks, Plantworks; Phil Hatch, Lifestyle Homes; Mark Krueger, Grubb & Ellis; JS Parker, Developers Int'l Group; Carol Lopez – Silver Peak Travel; Curtis Rowe, Pulte Homes; Patrick Riley, First Horizon Home Loans; Steve Ryckebosch, Sierra Signature Homes; Chris van de Mark, Sears Contract Sales; John Schroeder, Ryder Homes; Dian VanderWell, Sierra Pacific Mortgage & Investments; Joe Serpa, Q & D; Randy Walter, Places Consulting; Bill Thomas, Conrey Consulting LLC.; Brian Watkins, Thompson Garage Doors; Steve Thomas, SilverStar Communities and Bobbie Merrigan.

About The Builders:

The Builders Association of Northern Nevada is the “Voice of the Building Industry” in the region. Chartered in 1956, The Builders is a non-profit entity affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders and is committed to providing education, information, representation and benefits to their membership. The Builders gives back to the community in the form of scholarships and through its charitable arm, the Builders Association Charity. As the residential construction industry, The Builders members significantly contribute to the success of the local economy. In 2006, the construction of single and multifamily homes generated more than \$908.9 million in local income and 19,050 jobs in Washoe County. Information about the Builders Association of Northern Nevada is located on their website at www.thebuilders.com.

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