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## **Peabody Properties takes home three IREM Landscaping Awards**

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Braintree, MA According to Peabody Properties, three of its housing properties were recognized for excellence by the Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM) Boston Metropolitan Chapter at its annual Landscaping Awards Dinner.

Mill Pond in Littleton, Mass., took 1st place in the suburban category with a landscaping budget of \$1-\$5,000; Lamplighter Village in Canton, Mass., received 3rd place in the suburban category with a landscaping budget of \$1-\$5,000; and Congregational Retirement Homes I/II/III in Melrose, Mass., was recognized with 1st place in the suburban category with a landscaping budget of \$5,000+.

In addition to the three landscaping awards, seven Peabody Properties employees were also recognized for earning an IREM designation. Melissa Hume, Barbara Schmidt-Castro, Edith Melendez, John Devane, Diane Fleming, and Marilyn Estremera all earned the Accredited Residential Manager (ARM) credential; Kristin Pine earned the Certified Property Manager (CPM) credential.

"It's an honor to receive recognition by the IREM," said Karen Fish-Will, principal and CEO of Peabody Properties, Inc.

"We take great pride in every facet of our properties and are delighted that our landscaping is considered among the best. Special thanks are extended to all our outstanding personnel at Mill Pond, Lamplighter Village and Congregational Retirement Homes for representing Peabody Properties and the housing industry in general in such a positive manner. We also congratulate all our employees who earned their ARM and CPM credentials; this is an impressive personal achievement, as well as a valued industry designation. We are grateful for their commitment to our field."

Peabody Properties is a full-service real-estate firm which manages more than 12,000 units of housing, primarily in New England. The award-winning, privately held corporation and Accredited Management Organization (AMO) was incorporated in 1976 and is under the direction of Karen Fish-Will and Melissa Fish-Crane. In 1995, Peabody Properties recognized its long-term commitment to Resident Services as a unique area of expertise within the field of property management and established a new, specialty sector. Peabody Resident Services, Inc. is dedicated solely to the development of support services and programs for residents of affordable housing. Peabody Properties is designated as a Woman Business Enterprise (WBE), is certified by the

Massachusetts State Office of Minority and Women Business Assistance (SOMWBA) and was recently ranked in the top 60 on the 2017 National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) Affordable 100 List, as well as a 2017 Top Place to Work by the Boston Globe. Peabody Properties maintains headquarters at 536 Granite Street, Braintree, MA 02184. The firm also has offices in New Jersey and Florida.

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