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NAIOP Mass. donates record setting \$145,000 to Heading Home

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Despite turbulent economic conditions and a continuing "credit crunch", the members of NAIOP Mass. raised a record-setting \$145,000 for charity this year at the 20th Annual NAIOP Charitable Golf Tournament, benefiting Heading Home (formerly Shelter, Inc.). Held Thursday, September 11th, the tournament brought 500+ commercial real estate professionals out for a day of golf, networking, and fundraising. The money raised this year brings the chapter's total donations over the past two decades to more than \$1.25 million, making NAIOP the largest single contributor to Heading Home.

"We know that in tough times, the problems that lead to homelessness are only magnified," said David Begelfer, CEO of NAIOP Massachusetts. "Our Charitable Events Committee and all our members pulled together to make sure that not only did we meet last year's number, but we exceeded it. I am proud of their hard work, and of the work Heading Home does every day in our community.

Garry Holmes of R.W. Holmes Realty Co., Inc. and chair of the 2008 NAIOP Charitable Events Committee would like to thank this year's tournament sponsor, Eastern Building Services, as well as the many other generous sponsors of this event. It is only through their support that the tournament has been able to raise the needed funds to help Heading Home accomplish their goal of ending homelessness for area families. At a time when affordable housing is in crisis in the Commonwealth, Heading Home provides area families in need in with the support necessary to improve their lives and live independently. To learn more about Heading Home and the vital services they provide, please visit www.headinghomeinc.org.

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