



RE/MAX NAMED TOP TEN MILITARY SPOUSE EMPLOYER *Company Receives Honor Second Year in a Row*

(Denver, May 7, 2008) For the second year in a row, RE/MAX International, Inc. has been honored as a Top Ten Military Spouse Friendly Employer by *Military Spouse* magazine. The annual list is a "who's who" of large corporations which have made the greatest effort and have had the greatest success in hiring the spouses of military troops, and is featured in the magazine's June 2008 issue.

"Hiring military spouses is not only a way to recognize the sacrifice that those families have made, it's also good business," says Dave Liniger, RE/MAX Co-Founder and Chairman of the Board. "We find that military spouses are organized and dedicated, and make great employees. We're happy to help our military families this way."

The innovative military employment program, Operation RE/MAX, has been helping military spouses and former military personnel find jobs in real estate for the past two years. Created in cooperation with the Department of Defense, the program matches members of the military community with volunteer RE/MAX brokers, who have made a commitment to coach, train and mentor military personnel. Operation RE/MAX has earned the cooperation of over 500 military installations, and enlisted the support of more than 1,000 RE/MAX brokers, and most importantly, placed hundreds of military spouses in jobs all over the world.

"Companies have historically underutilized a talent pool of 1.1 million military spouses, largely because they have been viewed as a group that relocates often," says Babette Maxwell, co-founder and executive editor of *Military Spouse*. "But the companies on this list show that they recognize the value and talent of our military families."

RE/MAX is the only real estate company to make the Top Ten list, and is accompanied by other high-profile organizations like USAA, Home Depot and Wachovia. To make the list, companies were required to produce at least \$1 billion in annual revenue, and have specific military employment programs in place. The winners were selected from a pool of approximately 2,500 companies.

As a result of the success of Operation RE/MAX, the company was honored with the Office of the Secretary of Defense Exceptional Public Service Award in 2007. The award

is one of the highest given to civilians, and was presented to Gail Liniger, Co-Founder and Vice Chairman of the Board, in a special Pentagon ceremony.

RE/MAX is also participating in the Pentagon and Labor Department's joint effort, the Military Spouse Advancement Initiative, which is a pilot program now in eight states. The \$35 million initiative is designed to assist military spouses in furthering their education, and building careers, by providing funds for training and tuition.

As a part of its commitment to the military, RE/MAX International, Inc. also supports the following programs:

- ***The RE/MAX Tour for the Troops**, which generates increased awareness and support for two foundations with missions to support wounded troops: The Fisher House and Sentinels of Freedom. The tour features a Hummer, named Warrior One, which was used by a news crew while embedded with the U.S. Marines during the invasion of Iraq. The Hummer was then overhauled and auctioned off to benefit wounded veterans.*
- ***The 2007 Military Long Drive Championship**, a nationwide golf competition that seeks to find "the longest driving military golfer on the planet." In cooperation with the U.S. Army Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command, preliminary competitions are held at over two dozen military installations. Finals are held in Mesquite, NV at the same time as the RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship.*

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