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**KEPHART Named “Best of the Best” in
National Multifamily Housing Industry Award Competition**

Denver, CO, April 14, 2008— The National Association of Home Builders’ (NAHB) honored KEPHART Community :: Planning :: Architecture as the “best of the best” in the multifamily housing industry, as part of its annual Pillars of the Industry Awards program that recognizes excellence in apartment and condo design, development, management, and marketing.

Winners were selected for superior achievement in 32 categories, including Best Multifamily Community Site Plan of the Year. Vallagio at Inverness located in Englewood, Colorado was chosen as a winner in this category due to the innovative design and planning efforts by Metropolitan Homes and KEPHART to create a signature community in the suburbs with over 43,000 sq.ft. of neighborhood retail and convenient access to adjacent amenities, shopping, employment centers, and light rail. Hundreds of entries—representing apartment and condo communities from across the country—vied for this year’s awards, which are considered among the most prestigious in the housing industry.

Vallagio at Inverness, located Southeast of Dry Creek Road and I-25 in Englewood, Colorado is a 475-unit transit oriented multifamily development by Metropolitan Homes with homes priced from the \$200,000s.

“We enjoyed working with Metropolitan Homes to turn the first residential development in Inverness into a local destination,” said Chris Grady, Associate Principal of KEPHART. “Vallagio at Inverness is a lifestyle development that will endure for years to come because it embodies a distinct sense of place and community life which was created through effective land planning, architecture, and strategic partnerships.”

KEPHART was also recognized as a finalist in the Best Garden Apartment Community category for Water Tower Flats located in Arvada, Colorado developed by Carmel Partners and The Best Garden/Small Scale Condo Community category for The Harbors at Haverstraw in located Haverstraw, New York developed by Ginsberg Development Companies.

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ABOUT KEPHART Community :: Planning :: Architecture: KEPHART, founded in 1974, is an architectural design and planning firm, which provides a full range of personalized, professional services to builders and developers. The firm has completed a variety of residential and commercial ventures across the country including the innovative design and planning of over 60,000 living units ranging from single family homes to townhomes, condominiums, retirement communities, mixed-use developments, renovation, and urban infill. For more information, please visit www.kephart.com or call Jamie Goldman 303-832-4474.

ABOUT NAHB AND THE PILLARS OF THE INDUSTRY AWARDS: The National Association of Home Builders is a Washington-based trade association representing more than 235,000 members involved in home building, remodeling, multifamily construction, property management, subcontracting, design, housing finance, building product manufacturing and other aspects of residential and light commercial construction. NAHB's Pillars of the Industry Awards honor excellence in apartment and condominium design and development, as well as leadership in marketing and property management. Since its inception in 1990, the Pillars of the Industry Awards program has earned the reputation as the most prestigious in the multifamily industry, and both the housing industry and the media look to the Pillars Awards as a showcase of future trends and innovation. For more information, view this Web site: www.nahb.org/multifamily.

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