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## **MHP Welcomes Two New Board Members**

**St. Paul, Minn. (December 22, 2008)** – At its December meeting, the Minnesota Housing Partnership (MHP) Board of Directors appointed two new board members. The appointments demonstrate MHP's dedication to providing a multi-sector forum to seek solutions to Minnesota's affordable housing challenges. The new members are Doug Clark and Jeffrey Koerselman.

Doug is a supervising attorney for St. Cloud Area Legal Services. During the 20 years he has worked for SCALS, Doug specialized in housing law. He has also worked with a variety of social service agencies, government entities, and nonprofit organizations related to housing.

Jeffrey is an attorney and partner with Winthrop and Weinstine, P.A., where he specializes in taxation, and real estate, including the representation of developers, housing authorities, and other nonprofit organizations. Some of the local nonprofits that Jeff has worked with include CommonBond Communities, The Bridge for Runaway Youth and Christian Restorative Services.

The Minnesota Housing Partnership is a statewide nonprofit organization that advances the preservation and creation of housing affordable to low- and moderate-income people as a means of strengthening communities and families. MHP provides local governments and nonprofit housing organizations access to loans, grants, and technical expertise to plan and construct housing, in addition to advocating and educating people on sound housing policies. MHP's work in Greater Minnesota is primarily supported by The McKnight Foundation.

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