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PRESS RELEASE

NARI Mid-Maryland Chapter Announces its newly appointed Executive Director

Frederick, MD – February 27, 2006 – National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) Mid-Maryland Chapter announced today that Filomena Thompson has been selected to serve as the association's new Executive Director effective March 1, 2006.

Ms. Thompson has over 16 years technology, business development, and event planning experience in the local government and non-profit industries. She has built a reputation as a strong leader in event planning and business development for small businesses and non-profits.

Ms. Thompson most recently served as Director of the Tech Alliance of the Tech Council of Maryland, a non-profit membership organization focused on creating an environment where technology companies meet, learn and collaborate. Her duties included creating networking and educational events for the technology industry, managing program budget, building industry awareness and producing educational events and conferences to help drive membership.

In recent years Ms. Thompson worked at the Montgomery County Department of Economic Development assisting in technology implementation for the department, assisting in County information for prospective companies moving into the County and assisting in the development of business building conferences.

Mrs. Thompson has developed and created her own event solution and business management company, Events Made Simple at www.eventsmade.com. Her company is located in Frederick, Maryland. The company manages all aspects of events -- from attendee solicitation, site selection, logistics, registration, and production as well as provides management services for non-profit organizations and small businesses. Such management includes the day-to-day activities and the management of its events, name branding, marketing, and generation of funds through sponsorships and membership drives.

"The image and basis of the NARI organization is one based on Ethics and Professionalism what better way to accomplish this than with the help of a professional like Filomena. Here enthusiasm is terrific. I am confident that the talents she brings to the table will enable her to make a valuable contribution to our growth, and will set us on the path to gaining the appearance of the professional organization we all know that we have," said NARI Mid-Maryland Chapter, President of Board of Directors, Doug Fauth.

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About NARI

The [National Association of the Remodeling Industry](#) unites those who work in and with the remodeling industry and as professionals, networking together, we are able to create an exceptional experience for the remodeling consumer. The Mid-Maryland chapter of NARI is a not-for-profit trade association committed exclusively to enhancing the professionalism of the remodeling industry and providing ethical and quality service to the region's homeowners. Our members include; general remodeling contractors, design-build firms, architects, designers, subcontractors, product manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, suppliers and those who provide support services to the industry. All NARI members' business practices have been reviewed prior to membership and they are pledged to uphold the [Association's Code of Ethics](#).
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