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Lincoln Meadows Apartments Named 2006 NAHMA Exemplary Family Development

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Management Association evaluation -*

BATON ROUGE, La., March 5, 2007 – Provident Group, a not-for-profit corporation that provides facilities and services related to healthcare, senior living, affordable housing, government services, education and the environment, announced that one of its facilities, Lincoln Meadows Apartments (Fort Worth, Texas), has been named the Exemplary Family Development of 2006 by the National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA).

A 280-unit complex of the Woodhaven community, Lincoln Meadows was awarded first place in the 14th annual NAHMA evaluation on March 4. This affordable housing development of Provident Group provides one- and two-bedroom apartments for families, seniors and singles who cannot afford housing in the private market.

After meeting multiple standards to qualify for the contest, such as property condition, employee credentials, financial management, community partnerships and resident services, 300 facilities in the United States were awarded the Community of Quality designation by NAHMA. Of those facilities, 44 facilities earned scores high enough to advance in the evaluation before Lincoln Meadows was ultimately recognized as the winner.

“This honor for Lincoln Meadows is recognition that we are fulfilling our mission and meeting the goal of providing comfortable, quality housing for low income families,” said Steve Hicks, president and CEO of Provident Group. “This award is a result of our commitment to provide superior site management and service, while offering a range of programs that meet the needs of our residents.”

About Provident Group

Based in Baton Rouge, La., Provident Group is a not-for-profit organization with the mission of serving the needs of the elderly; promoting and advancing the health care needs of individuals, families and communities; assisting the poor by providing affordable housing; lessening the burdens of government; promoting education and preserving the environment. In order to fulfill its mission, the organization is involved in the development, construction, acquisition, ownership, management, maintenance and operation of public facilities. For more information on Provident Group, visit www.provident.org.

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