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**CARUSO HOMES WINS 2006 BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU NATIONAL
TORCH AWARD FOR MARKETPLACE ETHICS**

CROFTON, MD – Friday, January 04, 2008 – In a statement issued today, David Herzog, President of Caruso Homes, announced that the company is the 2006 winner of the Better Business Bureau's National Torch Award for Marketplace Ethics. The award was given to Caruso Homes in recognition of its commitment to demonstrating exceedingly high standards of behavior toward customers, employees, suppliers and communities; adherence to truthful and honorable advertising and sales practices; and, an earned reputation for noteworthy contributions to its industry and the communities in which the company does business.

"We are honored to receive this coveted award," stated David Herzog. "It is one of the company's core values to demonstrate uncompromising integrity and a caring attitude every day."

The Council of Better Business Bureaus, located in Arlington, Virginia, has annually presented the Torch Award, since its inception in 1996, to those companies that not only promote the importance of ethical business practices, but also exhibit the willingness to ensure that our country's marketplace remains fair and honorable. The coveted BBB National Torch Award for Marketplace Ethics attracts over a thousand entries from businesses of all sizes throughout North America. Of the three companies awarded in 2006, Caruso Homes was the only builder chosen.

Over the past 20 years, Caruso Homes has provided superior homes of extraordinary craftsmanship, design and quality for those consumers unwilling to settle for standard. By working closely with each customer, Caruso has been able to develop homes that perfectly match the individual expectations of the prospective owner. Maintaining the philosophy that the homebuyer deserves exactly the home they are looking for at a price that fits within their budget, Caruso Homes has become a recognized leader within the homebuilding industry. Award-winning Caruso homes are found in communities throughout Maryland and Virginia.

For more information about Caruso Homes, please visit www.CarusoHomes.com or contact Colleen Kittell, Director of Marketing, at 301.261.0277.

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