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## **Veteran Agent Gary Canepa Hangs His Shingle At RE/MAX Realty Affiliates**

(Reno, Nev., December 12, 2007) —With more than 30 years experience in the real estate field, veteran agent Gary Canepa has hung his shingle at RE/MAX Realty Affiliates. Although Canepa is no longer selling real estate, he remains active in the industry as a consultant.

Canepa first introduced the Reno/Sparks area to the RE/MAX brand in 1990. His affiliation with the international company has played a significant role to the success of many agents he has mentored. Wanting to remain active in the industry, he has joined the RE/MAX International Alumni program for agents who no longer sell or accept a commission.

“Gary is an exceptional leader. His knowledge of the industry and his commitment to his agents is a model for all brokers,” said Amy Lessinger, RE/MAX Realty Affiliates Broker/Owner. “His professional insight and intuition are a tremendous asset to RE/MAX, for both seasoned and new agents in the industry.”

As a consultant, Canepa will utilize his vast experience as an expert witness, educating brokers and agents on the REALTOR® Code of Ethics, disclosure, local and state statutes and Standards of Care.

“Real estate is an ever changing field, and I’ve witnessed its evolution throughout my career as both an agent and broker/owner,” said Canepa. “Helping educate brokers and agents, not only furthers their careers, but also ensures that I am at the forefront of changing trends and new policies. It’s an opportunity for me to remain active and involved in a profession that I believe in and am passionate about.”

Canepa recently received the Abraham Curry Award for his vision and dedicated service to the real estate industry and the northern Nevada community. He was the 1993 president of the Reno/Sparks Association of Realtors and the 2007 recipient of the Northern Nevada MS Society’s Hope Award.

He holds numerous professional designations including Accredited Buyers Representative (ABR), Certified Residential Broker (CRB) and Graduate Real Estate Institute (GRI). He has won many awards throughout his career including Broker/Owner of the Year in 1993 and REALTOR® of the Year in 1994.

Recognized as the second highest producing office by the Northern Nevada Regional Multiple Listing Service, RE/MAX Realty Affiliates has offices in Reno, Carson City and Gardnerville. Canepa joins approximately 60 other Agents who comprise the top producing Reno office. For more information about becoming an RRA agent, contact Amy Lessinger at (775) 327-9910.