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WINNIPEG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S MEMBERSHIP GROWTH CONTINUES TO BREAK RECORDS

Chamber Now Ranked in Top Ten Among North America Chambers

July 13, 2007 –Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Dave Angus is confident that the organization is well on its way of meeting its aggressive growth target of having 2,008 members by 2008 after finishing the 2006/2007 fiscal year with 1,876 members – an increase of over seven percent from last year.

“We continue to raise the bar in terms of driving membership at The Chamber,” said Angus. “With 1,876 members, we smashed last year’s membership total of 1,751 and have once again set a new record with the most members in the 134-year history of the organization.”

In fact The Chamber’s impressive membership growth has recently been recognized by the American Chamber of Commerce Executives (ACCE) which represents over 1,400 chambers of commerce of all sizes across North America.

The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce has received an ACCE Membership Achievement Award as one of the top ten Chambers in the following two categories

1. Number of New Members
2. New Member Dollars

The Chamber will be formally recognized at the ACCE Annual Convention later this summer in Sacramento, California.

Angus added that the growth of 390 new members in the past year is due in part to the unbelievable staff at The Chamber and the leadership provided by the Board of Directors and the continued support that the Winnipeg business community has shown in our organization.

“We will continue to ensure that we address the concerns of our members and provide a credible voice for the business community,” said Angus.

The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, founded in 1873, is the leading organization representing the voice of business in Winnipeg.

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