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*The Alliance To Conserve Old Richmond Neighborhoods*

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Mr. Tory Smith  
Three Strands Management  
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Dear Tory,

As I am sure you are aware, each year A.C.O.R.N. hosts the Golden Hammer Awards to honor excellence in preservation in Richmond's neighborhoods. This year, the A.C.O.R.N. Board of Directors closely examined the past year of preservation activities in Richmond and has selected a group of honorees that have significantly contributed to preserving Richmond's neighborhoods and their invaluable historic resources.

I am pleased to inform you that Three Strands, LLC has been selected to receive the *Andrew Asch Historic Developer Award* for helping to stabilize the northern most section the Union Hill neighborhood. In past years his award has been given to a developer that has been involved in a development project that has "jump-started" renovation activity in an area, or developed a building of particular historic significance, or the reuse of the building was particularly relevant. The Directors felt that Three Strands' renovation of several historic houses in a concentrated area of Union Hill has had a significant positive impact on stabilizing and revitalizing a challenging portion of Union Hill. Further, your endeavors have spurred additional investment and renovation activity in the immediate area, and your efforts are deserving of this esteemed award in 2008.

Congratulations! We hope you are as excited as we are that you are being specially recognized at this year's A.C.O.R.N. Golden Hammer awards for your dedication to preserving Richmond's oldest neighborhoods.

The awards ceremony will take place on Tuesday October 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm – 8:30pm. We will be sending you your invitation along with two complimentary tickets and directions to the venue. If there are any specific guests you would like for A.C.O.R.N. to invite on your behalf, please contact us no later than September 17<sup>th</sup> so we can mail invitations without delay. Additionally, we are hoping you will be available to personally accept this award and say a few words. If not, please let us know if we should contact someone else to accept the Golden Hammer on your behalf.

Again, congratulations and please call me at (804) 644-5040 should you have any questions:

Sincerely,

David Herring, Executive Director

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