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NEW YORK INSURANCE ASSOCIATION ELECTS 2010 OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LATHAM, N.Y.—The New York Insurance Association (NYIA) elected its 2010 officers and board of directors at the association's Annual Meeting on Nov. 5, 2009 at the Century House in Latham, N.Y.

The following officers were elected for a one-year term ending Dec. 31, 2010:

Chair: Richard Zick, president/CEO, Utica First Insurance Company, Utica, N.Y.

First vice chair: Jeffrey Rice, president/CEO, Wayne Cooperative Insurance Company, Clyde, N.Y.

Second vice chair: Bernard Turi, associate general counsel and claims attorney, Utica Mutual Insurance Company, Utica, N.Y.

Treasurer: Marlene Benton-Sherwood, president, Fulmont Mutual Insurance Company, Johnstown, N.Y.

The following directors were elected for a three-year term ending Dec. 31, 2012:

Robert Baxter, CEO & general manager, Dryden Mutual Insurance Company, Dryden, N.Y.

Travis MacMillian, president & COO, Greater New York Mutual Insurance Company, New York, N.Y.

Patrick O'Malley, product manager, Progressive Northern Insurance Company, Mayfield Village, Ohio

Jeffrey Rice, president/CEO, Wayne Cooperative Insurance Company, Clyde, N.Y.

Bernard Turi, associate general counsel and claims attorney, Utica Mutual Insurance Company, Utica, N.Y.

"I congratulate the officers and directors who were elected this year," Ellen Melchionni, president of NYIA said. "I look forward to working with the individuals who were re-elected and welcome Travis and Patrick as new directors of the association."

The New York Insurance Association (NYIA[®]) is a state trade association that has represented the property and casualty insurance industry for over 125 years. For more information on NYIA, visit www.nyia.org.

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