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Connerton Named “Best Community of the Year” by Pasco Building Association for Second Year in a Row

TAMPA, Fla. (May 2, 2007) – Connerton, the nearly 5,000 acre New Town currently under development in Pasco County, swept all six awards in the “Neighborhoods on Parade” category at the 2007 Pasco Building Association Parade of Homes Awards Banquet. Connerton swept the category at last year’s awards ceremony, as well. Connerton received recognition for *Best Neighborhood Entrance, Best Community Master Plan, Best Community Streetscape, Best Community Amenities, Best Environmental Sensitivity Program* and the overall *Best Community of the Year*.

The awards recognize the best new homes and communities throughout Pasco County. The ceremony was hosted by the Pasco Building Association and was held at the Saddlebrook Resort in Wesley Chapel.

“It’s such an honor to be recognized by our peers in this way – especially two years in a row,” said Stewart Gibbons, president of Connerton. “Our goal has always been to create the most spectacular new community in West Central Florida.”

In addition to the awards received by Connerton, the town’s homebuilders were recognized for their achievements in different price categories. Four builders with models in Connerton took home *Most Innovative and Creative Design* awards: Arthur Rutenberg/ Lyons Heritage Tampa for the Calais model, Costanza Homes for the Bellemead model, David Weekley Homes for the Majestic model and Morrison Homes for the Crescent model. Smith Family Homes’ Hudson model was awarded *Best Pool* and Costanza Homes won *Best Overall* for its Bellemead model.

“We are proud that Connerton has established partnerships with some of the most lauded homebuilders in the region.” said Gibbons.

About Connerton

Connerton is a 4,800 acre mixed-use master planned community in Central Pasco County, and the only “New Town” currently under construction in the greater Tampa Bay area. In total, there are approximately 8,500 residential units planned with over 3 million square feet of commercial space for office, retail and industrial uses. *The Arbors*, the first village in Connerton, is nearly sold out. The community will feature many amenities, including a Town Center, fitness and aquatics complex, amphitheatre, parks, extensive trail system for walking and biking and conservation areas. A hospital, regional park and three schools are also planned.

For more information on Connerton, call (813) 995-2460 or visit www.connerton.com.

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