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REPORT OF BARNSTABLE COUNTY REAL ESTATE ACTIVITY

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2007

SALES VOLUME CONTINUES RISE, VALUE DIPS!

Barnstable County Register of Deeds, John F. Meade, reports that the **volume of real estate sales in May 2007 was up 13.8% from May 2006** volume and the **total value of sales was up 22.7%** from the previous year. The **median individual property sale value was down 11%** from the previous year. **There was a 13.5% decrease in the volume of mortgage activity from May 2006 levels.**

Year to Date: Volume of Sales is up 3.1%; Total Value of Sales is up 1.6%; Individual Sales Value is down 6.6%; Mortgage Volume is down 8.9%.

Register Meade reports that there were **702** deeds recorded at the Barnstable Registry of Deeds in **May 2007** with stated sales values above \$50,000.00 representing a stated value of **\$421,945,905.00** in county-wide real estate sales.

Based on all property sales valued above \$50,000.00, the **median** sale price of property in Barnstable County in **May** was **\$325,000.00**.

There were **1,893** mortgages recorded with values above \$50,000.00 in **May** with a total value of **\$2,108,423,564.00**. The **median** mortgage amount, commercial, residential or other, was **\$250,000.00**.

By way of comparison, there were **617** deeds recorded at the Barnstable Registry of Deeds in **May 2006** with stated sales values above \$50,000.00 representing a stated value of **\$343,792,871.00** in county-wide real estate sales. Based on all property sales valued above \$50,000.00, the **median** sale price of property in Barnstable County in **May** was **\$365,000.00**.

There were **2,189** mortgages recorded with values above \$50,000.00 in **May** with a total value of **\$644,557,107.00**. The **median** mortgage amount, commercial, residential or other, was **\$210,000.00**.

**REAL ESTATE ACTIVITY THROUGH MAY 2007
AS COMPARED TO THE SAME PERIOD IN 2006.**

All figures are based on sales or mortgages **ABOVE \$50,000.00.**

2007 sales volume: **2,581**

2006 sales volume: **2,504**

2007 total sales value: **\$1,311,041,184.50**

2006 total sales value: **\$1,289,843,025.00**

2007 **median** sales price: **\$341,000.00**

2006 **median** sales price: **\$365,000.00**

2007 mortgage volume: **8,675**

2006 mortgage volume: **9,523**

2007 total mortgage value: **\$4,159,634,063.00**

2006 total mortgage value: **\$3,116,838,135.00**

2007 **median** mortgage amount: **\$234,000.00**

2006 **median** mortgage amount: **\$215,000.00**

**TRAILING TWELVE MONTHS MEDIAN SALES VALUE:
(Sales values above \$50,000.00)**

M/Y	Value	% Differential/prior month
May 2006:	\$365,000.00	-1.4%
June 2006:	\$390,000.00	+6.9%
July 2006:	\$365,000.00	-6.4%
Aug 2006:	\$350,000.00	-4.1%
Sep 2006:	\$360,000.00	+2.9%
Oct 2006:	\$373,500.00	+3.8%
Nov 2006:	\$355,000.00	-4.8%
Dec 2006:	\$350,000.00	-1.4%
Jan 2007:	\$350,000.00	0 %
Feb 2007:	\$338,750.00	-3.2%
Mar 2007:	\$349,000.00	+3%
Apr 2007:	\$340,000.00	-2.6%
May 2007:	\$325,000.00	-4.4%