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**AHAM WINS ASAE'S
2007 ASSOCIATIONS ADVANCE AMERICA AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**

WASHINGTON, DC (June 18, 2007)— The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers' (AHAM) has won the Award of Excellence in the 2007 Associations Advance America (AAA) Awards program, a national competition sponsored by the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE) & The Center for Association Leadership, Washington, D.C.

AHAM received the award for its ongoing Home Sweet Home appliance donation program which provides home appliances to families rebuilding their homes following hurricanes Katrina and Rita in the greater New Orleans area. The program is now in the running to receive a Summit Award, ASAE & The Center's top recognition for the associations programs, to be presented at ASAE's 8th Annual Summit Awards Dinner at the National Building Museum in Washington DC on September 25, 2007.

To celebrate its 40th anniversary milestone, AHAM in conjunction with charitable partner, Gifts in Kind International, established Home Sweet Home, an appliance donation program, to equip at least 40 greater New Orleans area families who are rebuilding their homes following hurricanes Katrina and Rita with a full suite of home appliances. Home Sweet Home works through the United Way of the Greater New Orleans area to supply families with appliances.

“AHAM's Home Sweet Home program embodies the spirit of the Associations Advance America campaign. It is an honor and an inspiration to showcase this activity as an example of the many contributions associations are making to advance American society, remarked 2006-2007 Associations Advance America (AAA) Committee Chair Charles A. McGrath, managing partner of Bostrom Corporation.

If you would like more information on the Home Sweet Home appliance donation program, or would like to donate products to cash to help transport the appliances, please contact Jill Notini at (202) 872-5955.

The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) is a not-for-profit trade association representing manufacturers of major, portable and floor care home appliances, and suppliers to the industry and is headquartered in Washington, DC. You can visit the AHAM web site at <http://www.aham.org>