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MassHousing Executive Director Thomas R. Gleason to Speak at Standard & Poor's National Housing Summit

June 9 event in New York City will cover broad range of housing finance issues

BOSTON – June 7, 2011 – MassHousing Executive Director Thomas R. Gleason has been selected to speak at a national housing summit in New York City on June 9 sponsored by Standard & Poor's that will cover a broad range of topics influencing the United States housing market.

Gleason, who has worked in affordable housing finance for 33 years, will be among 24 housing experts speaking at the summit. Other notable speakers from the housing industry, government and academia will include HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan, Eric Belsky, Executive Director of Harvard University's Joint Center for Housing Studies, and Robert Shiller, co-founder of the Case-Shiller Home Price Indices.

Standard & Poor's Housing Summit 2011: Boom, Bust and Beyond, will be held at New York's Roosevelt Hotel for bankers, investors, tax credit syndicators and housing advocates. Gleason will talk about what state Housing Finance Agencies have done to continue providing quality affordable mortgage products during the housing crisis.

"MassHousing and other HFAs have been very successful in providing affordable, fixed-rate mortgages to thousands of qualified moderate and low-income borrowers despite the recent turmoil in the housing finance industry," said Gleason. "I am looking forward to sharing what we have accomplished in a very difficult market and working with others in the industry to overcome the many challenges facing us."

In addition to serving as MassHousing's Executive Director, Mr. Gleason is a Board Member and Treasurer for the National Council of State Housing Agencies. He also serves on Fannie Mae's Affordable Housing Advisory Council, the Board of the Massachusetts Housing Investment Corporation (MHIC) and the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation (CEDAC).

About MassHousing

Celebrating its 45th anniversary, MassHousing (The Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency) is an independent, quasi-public agency created in 1966 and charged with providing financing for affordable housing in Massachusetts. The Agency raises capital by selling bonds and lends the proceeds to low- and moderate-income homebuyers and homeowners, and to developers who build or preserve affordable and/or mixed-income rental housing. MassHousing does not use taxpayer dollars to sustain its operations, although it administers some publicly funded programs on behalf of the Commonwealth. Since its inception, MassHousing has provided more than \$13 billion for affordable housing. For more information, visit the MassHousing website at www.masshousing.com, follow us on Twitter [@MassHousing](https://twitter.com/MassHousing), subscribe to [our blog](#) and [Like us](#) on Facebook.