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Windermere Welcomes Agents with Profound Local and Industry Histories

PALM SPRINGS, CA – April 13, 2013 – Windermere Real Estate Southern California is pleased to announce the addition of two real estate professionals with extensive backgrounds in the industry. Barrie Hewitt joins Windermere’s Palm Desert Portola office located at 73-993 Highway 111, while Karen McDonald joins the Windermere’s La Quinta office located at 78065 Washington Street.

“We always feel a sense of privilege and pride when agents of the caliber of Barrie and Karen chose Windermere as their brokerage. We strive to facilitate the support and growth of every agent. We realize the impact that an environment consisting of camaraderie and teamwork can and does have on each agent’s success,” said Bob Deville, co-owner of Windermere Real Estate Southern California.

A resident of the desert area for more than 40 years, Barrie Hewitt has watched our valley grow from a collection of small, unincorporated towns to its present status as an international vacation resort destination. “It is my privilege to assist clients find their special piece of paradise, whether they are seeking a full-time residence or a vacation home getaway,” shared Barrie.

A Realtor® for the past 8 years, Barrie has listed and sold homes throughout the area from the Banning Pass area cities all the way out to Salton City. Her familiarity with the valley has been augmented by her broad work history, as leasing manager for two real estate offices, senior marketing manager for Marriot Shadow Ridge and Desert Springs Villas, and senior writer for a public relations firm whose clients included the Bob Hope Classic and one of the regional medical centers.

“Barrie’s professional approach and demeanor with her clients has her earned her a tremendous referral business. Great client rapport is important to successful real estate transactions, and Barrie is a prime example of the results that strong relationships can yield,” said Sandi Richardson, Managing Broker for Windermere Real Estate’s Palm Desert Portola office.

Windermere’s La Quinta office warmly welcomes Karen McDonald to their growing community of real estate professionals. Karen’s life work has been real estate. She has worked in residential, commercial and land sales; commercial leasing, distressed home rehab and revitalization for builders, and real estate marketing. Her extensive real estate career has earned her accolades from previous brokerages, as well as the recognition she earned from her years in the building industry. Even in her personal life, real estate has played an enormous part; Karen’s late husband was the President of



Centex Corporation, CEO of New Millennium and on the board of US Homes and 6 NYSE companies dealing with building and finance.

“My engagement and passion for real estate has always been integral in every aspect of my life. It all starts with the joy I get in helping my client find the perfect home while taking into account their financial objectives,” shared Karen. Karen’s in-depth real estate knowledge provides her clients with an incredible advantage regardless of which side of the transaction they are on.

“Karen is real estate legacy. Her wide-ranging knowledge of the market, professional demeanor, and passion for the industry make her a perfect addition to our office,” said Sandy Beakey, Managing Broker for Windermere’s La Quinta office.

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The Palm Springs area market leader, Windermere Real Estate Southern California consistently lists and sells more than any other local real estate brokerage. Founded by owners Bob Deville and Bob Bennion in 2001, Windermere Real Estate Southern California provides superior, professional real estate services to their clients in Palm Springs, Cathedral City, Rancho Mirage, Palm Desert, Indian Wells, La Quinta and Indio. Windermere’s Premier Properties program showcases and markets some of the valley’s finest homes and estates for maximum impact and worldwide exposure.

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