

## THE CHICAGO MARKET: LIVING AND GIVING™

### ANNOUNCES NEW DATES FOR JULY 2007

*New Schedule Offers Increased Buying Opportunities for Retailers to Shop the Market*

*Thursday, July 19 - Wednesday, July 25, 2007 and Temporaries Including Beckman's Handcrafted Gift Show®, Saturday, July 21-Tuesday, July 24, 2007*

CHICAGO, IL (January 24, 2007) – Following an upbeat Market and a successful launch of The Chicago Market: Living and Giving, Merchandise Mart Properties, Inc. (MMPI) announces a fine tuning of dates for the July 2007 Market to maximize shopping options for buyers as well as selling opportunities for showrooms and exhibitors.

The July 2007 show will run Thursday, July 19-Wednesday, July 25, with temporaries including Beckman's Handcrafted Gift Show open Saturday, July 21-Tuesday, July 24. This date pattern offers increased buying opportunities for retailers, allowing them to shop both the showrooms and temporaries throughout the entire weekend.

“We have reenergized The Chicago Market: Living and Giving in just about every way – from new branding to special programming and new and expanded product offerings,” said Joan Ulrich, senior vice president of leasing and marketing, Merchandise Mart Properties, Inc. (MMPI). “The feedback we have received has been overwhelmingly positive and we are excited about our new direction.”

The July 2007 Market will continue to feature programming highlights – Big Night, Signatures events and Power Lunch Seminars on the Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of the Market – to extend the Market's momentum throughout the entire week.

Located in the world-famous Merchandise Mart, The Chicago Market: Living and Giving will feature permanent showrooms on floors 12-15 and temporary exhibitors at the Market Suites on floors 7 and 8.

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**Merchandise Mart Properties, Inc. (MMPI)** is a trade show and property management firm, specializing in managing buildings devoted to wholesale showrooms and commercial office space. MMPI produces more than 300 trade shows, market events and conferences each year.

MMPI manages The Merchandise Mart and 350 West Mart Center in Chicago; Market Square, the Suites at Market Square, Hamilton Market, Plaza Suites, Furniture Plaza and the National Furniture Mart in High Point, N.C.; the Architects

& Designers Building and 7 W New York in New York; the Boston Design Center in Boston; the L.A. Mart in Los Angeles; and the Washington Design Center and Federal Center Southwest in Washington D.C.

**Vornado Realty Trust**, owners of MMPI, based in New York City, is a fully integrated equity real estate investment trust. Vornado's common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and are traded under the symbol VNO.

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