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HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF GREATER ORLANDO AREA TO OPEN THIRD RESTORE LOCATION

ORLANDO, Fla. (January 15, 2014) – Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando Area ReStore will officially open the doors to its third Central Florida retail facility – the largest in Central Florida – on Saturday, Jan. 18.

Located at 1649 Florida Mall Blvd. in South Orlando, the store will offer gently used household goods and building materials, including home décor, appliances, furniture and hardware. Proceeds from store sales fund Habitat’s mission of providing affordable housing for low-income families.

“In addition to assisting our overall mission at Habitat, the items that we divert from landfills make a tremendous impact on the environment,” said Tom May, director of retail operations for all three Habitat of Greater Orlando ReStores. “In 2012, more than 1.5 million pounds – or 750 tons – of usable household items were kept out of Central Florida landfills because of donated goods.

In recognition of the completion of Habitat of Greater Orlando’s first multi-family community, the interior will resemble the townhomes from Stag Horn Villas. In addition to mirroring the bright colors of the neighborhood, the offices and meeting rooms feature a facade that is “under construction,” complete with volunteers (mannequins) still working on the roofs. Winter Park-based HGR Construction is donating its time to build the 24,000 square-foot facility.

The store is still accepting individual and corporate donations, which can be made directly to the ReStore. Donations can also be scheduled for pick-up at no charge. For more information, visit <http://www.orlandorestore.org/> or call the donor hotline at (407) 426-7859.

About Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando Area

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando Area is a not-for-profit, ecumenical, Christian organization dedicated to transforming the lives of low-income, hardworking families through the American Dream of homeownership. Habitat Orlando is one of approximately 2,100 local affiliates of Habitat for Humanity International. Support from sponsors, donors and volunteers directly benefits the Central Florida community. To learn more about Habitat for Humanity Orlando or to make a donation, call (407) 648-4567 or visit www.habitat-orlando.org.

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