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Metro-East Housing Statistics Released

(Shiloh, Ill.) Homes in the Metro-East sold at quicker pace and for a higher median price in March 2017 compared to March 2016. For instance, the average days on market for homes sold in St. Clair County decreased from 102 days in March 2016 to 58 days in March 2017. The time it took to sell a home in Monroe County decreased 31 percent this March, while REALTORS® in Clinton County recorded a 16 percent decrease in the average days on market. Randolph County followed suit and recorded a 27.5 percent decrease on days on market in March 2017 over March 2016.

Counties in the Metro-East are continued to see an increase in the median home prices this March compared to March 2016. The median home price for homes in St. Clair County increased 17.3 percent. REALTORS® in Monroe County recorded a 12.5 percent increase in median home price, while Randolph County reported a 75.6 percent increase in median home price for March 2017.

“While the Spring buying and selling season is upon us, it is important to know that REALTORS® are also continuing their work in the fighting for the rights of private property owners,” stated Mike Gross, President of the REALTOR® Association of Southwestern Illinois. **“Just this week, I joined hundreds of Illinois REALTORS®, including more than a dozen local REALTORS® and affiliate members of the Association, at the Capitol in Springfield, IL. We stormed the Capitol to talk to numerous legislators to let them know the importance of homeownership and private property rights.”**

The Metro-East also saw an increase in month-over-month home sales compared to February 2017. St. Clair County recorded a 49 percent increase in March 2017 over February 2017, while Monroe County recorded a 15.4 percent increase. REALTORS® in Randolph sold 80 percent more homes in March this year than in February of this year. This County’s year-to-date home sales were also up 24 percent, while the year-to-date home sales for St. Clair County were up .81 percent.

“REALTORS® can help guide the consumer through the buying and selling process. All real estate is local. National trends do not always reflect local market conditions. Your best course of action when thinking about buying or selling is to consult with a REALTOR®, a knowledgeable real estate professional, who knows the local market conditions. REALTORS® work through the real estate transaction process daily and understand how to position a home for sale, negotiate contract terms, manage inspections and ensure a smooth settlement,” stated President Gross.

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Residential Units March 2017					Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.	July	Jun.	May	
County	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2017	2017	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	
Monroe	30	30	26	22	22	26	26	48	24	33	37	51	50	37	49
St. Clair	268	278	242	169	188	180	165	240	224	273	268	317	287	322	336
Randolph	18	9	13	11	15	10	3	8	14	17	10	15	13	21	17
Clinton	17	26	31	16	15	18	12	34	16	24	33	29	36	24	20
Year-to-Date Home Sales (January 1- March 31)															
Monroe	81	84	81	59	72										
St. Clair	616	611	533	445	499										
Randolph	31	25	29	26	34										
Clinton	48	51	65	49	41										
Median Home Prices															
Monroe	\$ 189,500	\$ 168,450	\$ 194,500	\$ 136,750	\$ 149,500										
St. Clair	\$ 138,450	\$ 118,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 95,000	\$ 117,500										
Randolph	\$ 73,750	\$ 42,000	\$ 112,000	\$ 71,500	\$ 90,000										
Clinton	\$ 122,500	\$ 135,200	\$ 119,500	\$ 72,250	\$ 92,000										

Statistics are provided by MARIS and the Illinois REALTORS®.

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RASI primarily serves the Illinois Metro-East market area, including St. Clair, Monroe, Randolph and Clinton Counties, except for the easternmost townships of Irishtown, Clement, Lake, East Fork, Meridian and Brookside.

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