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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Chicago, IL (March 10, 2009)** -The newly organized Chicago chapter of Social Enterprise Alliance (SEA) has elected Marc J. Lane, founder of Marc J. Lane Wealth Group in Chicago, President. Also elected were John Plunkett, President of Harborquest, Inc. as Vice President; Karim Pakravan, Ph.D., Economist from DePaul University Kellstadt Graduate School of Management as Treasurer; and Malcolm M. Burges, Chief Executive Officer and Founder of Second Chance Employment as Secretary.

The overarching mission of SEA-Chicago is to advance the goals of social enterprise throughout the greater Chicago area, and engage public and private leaders from enterprising nonprofits, social-purpose businesses and capital providers who incorporate market-based strategies to advance social change.

According to Lane, a Chicago based business and tax attorney and values-based investment advisor who also serves on SEA's national board, "Social enterprise is all about empowerment. When nonprofits and social-purpose businesses put entrepreneurial principles to work, they can often be most successful at driving mission and, with it, positive social change."

### **About the Social Enterprise Alliance**

Social Enterprise Alliance has emerged as the common ground for practitioners, lenders, investors, grant makers, consultants, researchers and educators who recognize the increasing impact of social enterprise. In addition to hosting the annual Social Enterprise Summit, SEA provides its members with current information, tools, and other resources that address the unique needs of social enterprises.

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