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Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) is honored with SAHMA's Affordable Housing Advocate Award

October 25, 2017 Atlanta, GA. – The Southeastern Affordable Housing Management Association (SAHMA) announces that a special presentation was made today at the Hart Senate Office Building in Washington, DC. Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) was honored with the Affordable Housing Advocate Award.

This year, the SAHMA Board of Directors, with the support of our membership, established the Affordable Housing Advocate Award to honor and recognize Legislators and other Industry Partners who have demonstrated great leadership, support and commitment to affordable housing. By recognizing these important partners, we not only strengthen the relationships, but encourage the continued advocacy for affordable housing that is desperately needed not only in the Southeast, but nationwide.

Our first recipient, Senator Tim Scott, is a noted supporter of affordable housing and introduced bi-partisan legislation to streamline key rental assistance programs. He helped start the *Senate Opportunity Coalition*, and in the new Congress, Senator Scott introduced bi-partisan legislation, *The Investing in Opportunity Act*, which proposes a new solution to encourage economic growth and job creation in economically distressed communities. The Senator has also recently signed on to the Affordable Housing Credit Improvement Act of 2017 (S.548), a comprehensive bill to expand and strengthen the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (Housing Credit), introduced earlier this year by Senator Maria Cantwell (D-WA) and Senate Finance Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch (R-UT).

The presentation was made in the Hart Senate Office building in Washington, DC in Senator Scott's office by Jim Nasso, President of Wesley Housing Corporation of Memphis, Memphis, TN, currently serving as SAHMA's President, Reese B. Quick, President of Southern Development Management Company, Columbia, SC, SAHMA's Immediate Past -President and Daria S. Jakubowski, Executive Director of SAHMA from Atlanta, GA.

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