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GTA REALTORS® Report Mid-Month Resale Housing Market Figures

TORONTO, **December 16**, **2011** -- Greater Toronto REALTORS® reported 2,699 transactions through the TorontoMLS® system during the first 14 days of December. This result was 11 per cent above the number of transactions recorded during the same period in 2010. On a year-to-date basis, sales amounted to 87,407 – up 4.3 per cent compared to 2010.

"We have had the second best year on record for transactions under the current Toronto Real Estate Board boundaries. Households have continued to take advantage of affordable home ownership options across the diverse array of housing types available in the Greater Toronto Area," said TREB President Richard Silver. The average selling price during the first two weeks of December 2011 was \$460,967 – up six per cent in comparison to December 2010.

"Strong average price growth, driven by seller's market conditions, has been largely mitigated by the continuation of very low borrowing costs this year. The share of average household income going toward mortgage principal and interest has increased only marginally and remains in line with accepted mortgage lending standards," said Jason Mercer, TREB's Senior Manager of Market Analysis.

Summary of TorontoMLS® Sales and Average Price

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		December 1 - 14						
		2011	2010					
	Sales	Average Price	Sales	Average Price				
City of Toronto ("416")	1,139	486,414	1,057	472,181				
Rest of GTA ("905")	1,560	442,388	1,374	407,143				
GTA	2,699	460,967	2,431	435,421				

	December 1 - 14, 2011								
	Sales			Average Price					
	416	905	Total	416	905	Total			
Detached	364	866	1,230	708,993	533,359	585,335			
Yr./Yr. % Change	9%	15%	13%	3%	7%	5%			
Semi-Detached	126	157	283	504,532	361,046	424,930			
Yr./Yr. % Change	34%	4%	16%	2%	6%	7%			
Townhouse	110	287	397	364,929	337,110	344,818			
Yr./Yr. % Change	-10%	21%	10%	-10%	9%	1%			
Condo Apartment	526	198	724	359,206	281,531	337,964			
Yr./Yr. % Change	6%	-2%	4%	4%	13%	7%			

TorontoMLS® Sales & Average Price By Home Type

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