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Local Realtor Selected for 2017 EverGreen Award

NORTHAMPTON—Craig Della Penna of The Murphys Realtors has been selected from a distinguished pool of candidates to receive the 2017 EverGreen Award from the Green REsource Council of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR).

Della Penna was selected for the honor by an independent panel of green industry professionals and was nominated based on his commitment to developing energy efficient homes and neighborhoods in which biking and walking are commonplace.

Known as a leader in the green real estate community, Della Penna was the first realtor in the United States to specialize in the sale of houses near rail trails and greenways. He serves a broad range of clients to help them make choices about sustainable or energy efficient living; for instance, he is a resource for buyers who want a home in a neighborhood in which children are able to walk or bike to and from school. He uses sources such as WalkScore.com to help buyers make decisions on location.

Della Penna has delivered over 1,200 lectures in 21 states on the topics of energy efficiency and the importance of greenways. He also has been a key player in helping to build over 1,000 miles of rail trails in the past 20-plus years and has made a visible difference for green buyers in his local real estate market and across much of the Northeast.

For more information on NAR's Green REsource Council, call (800) 498-9422, email GreenDesignation@realtors.org or visit www.GreenREsourceCouncil.org.