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### Northfield Resident Awarded Home Remodelers Designation

(Northfield, Minnesota, September 2, 2005) – Bjorn Freudenthal, College City Remodeling, Inc., recently became one of the select group of professionals nationwide to earn the Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist (CAPS) designation. Freudenthal is now identified as one of the building industry's top professionals with skill and knowledge in working with older and maturing adults to remodel or make modifications to their homes. Nationwide, Freudenthal became the 242<sup>nd</sup> remodeling professional who has received this certification with only 30 of these professionals located in Minnesota. An Aging-in-Place Specialist has expertise in codes, standards, common barriers and solutions, products and resources to help people remain in their home safely, independently and comfortably.

The Remodelers Council of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB), NAHB Seniors Housing Council, and AARP recognize Certified Aging-in-Place Specialists and their technical knowledge and understanding to solve remodeling needs of an aging population. Studies have shown that most of the millions of aging Baby Boomers born between 1946 and 1964 will likely remain in their current homes after retirement. These individuals will need to modify their homes as they mature to increase access and maneuverability.

Bjorn Freudenthal is General Manager of College City Remodeling, a local design and build division of College City Homes. College City Homes is the biggest home builder in the Northfield and Dundas area. To inquire about College City Remodeling or College City Homes, call 952-469-6900 or visit the companies' Web sites at [www.collegacityremodeling.com](http://www.collegacityremodeling.com) or [www.collegacityhomes.com](http://www.collegacityhomes.com)