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Dialogue Will Involve Industry, Administration, and Congress

Washington, DC, February 25, 2009 - With Americans and policy makers alike looking at retirement savings in light of the recent economic and financial market challenges, seven major trade associations are convening a Retirement Savings Summit on March 5 in Washington, DC to discuss ways to strengthen the overall system.

The day-long agenda will feature panel discussions on expanding coverage, improving retirement savings and safeguarding retirement assets. Rep. Richard Neal, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, will give the keynote speech at 12:30 pm. The agenda also includes discussions with key Administration officials and Committee staff from Capitol Hill.

The organizations sponsoring the event include: the American Bankers Association, the American Benefits Council, the American Council of Life Insurers, the ERISA Industry Committee, the Investment Company Institute, the Profit Sharing/401k Council of America and the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association.

Participation in the event is by invitation only. The meeting will be open to the press, but members of the media are requested to make reservations to attend. Reporters interested in attending should contact Inga Vitols at 202.326.5838 or ivitols@ici.org for the full agenda and to RSVP.

Retirement Summit RSVP information

Date: Thursday, March 5, 2009 Time: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST

Location: Grand Hyatt Washington, 1000 H Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001

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