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Festival of Lanterns - Tri-Association Awards Dinner Benefits SAVE

Raleigh, NC, September 14, 2007 — The Security Industry Association (SIA), together with the National Burglar and Fire Alarm Association (NBFAA) and the Central Station Alarm Association (CSAA) presented a \$7,000 donation to Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE) at the Tri-Association Awards Dinner, September 11, 2007 at the Lighthouse in New York City. Held annually, the event honors the recipients of the Tri-Association Triton Award and SIA's George R. Lippert Memorial Award. In addition, a portion of ticket sales is donated to a charitable organization whose mission is closely aligned to the work of the security industry. This year, SIA, NBFAA and CSAA designated SAVE as the event's charity. If you would like to learn more about this event or donate, please contact National SAVE or go to http://www.siaonline.org/events/dinner.cfm

For more than 17 years, SAVE, a student-led nonprofit organization, has educated and empowered young people in schools and community-based organizations to prevent youth crime and violence. SAVE's efforts engage close to 200,000 student members in schools and communities in 45 states, decreasing the potential for violence in K-12 schools and communities by promoting meaningful student involvement, education, and service opportunities. "We are proud that the SIA is recognizing the work of SAVE to assist students in finding real solutions to the issues of violence that they face each day," stated Dr. Pamela L. Riley, Executive Director of SAVE. Joining Dr. Riley at the event to accept the donation was Calvin Hodnett, Chairman of SAVE's Board of Directors and SAVE student members and advisors from Abraham Lincoln High School in Jersey City, New Jersey.

The role of SAVE is becoming increasingly more important as crime and violence in our schools continues to erode the teaching and learning process. *Already this school year, one non-death school shooting has already occurred nationwide. For the 2006-2007 school year, thirty-two school associated violent deaths occurred nationwide.* (National School Safety and Security Services, 2007).

"SIA is pleased to support organizations such as SAVE that work to create and sustain safe communities," said Richard Chace, CEO and executive Director, The Security Industry Association. "SAVE, which teaches safety and security skills to young people, is a terrific example of how SIA gives back to the communities where our members do business."

If you are interested in starting or supporting a SAVE chapter in your school or community or in obtaining safety tips for parents and students visit the SAVE website at www.nationalsave.org or call toll free at 1-866-343-SAVE.

About SAVE

SAVE started at West Charlotte High School (N.C.) in 1989 following the tragic death of a student who was trying to break up a fight at an off-campus party. Students met first to console each other, then as an organization to promote violence prevention and to work together to prevent future incidents from occurring. SAVE provides education about the effects and consequences of violence and engages students in safe activities that benefit them and their community. SAVE currently has over 1,600 chapters in 45 states, with nearly 200,000 members, and adds an estimated one new chapter and 50 new student members each business day. The National Association of SAVE is a student-run, student-initiated violence prevention organization that operates out of Raleigh, NC. Additional information on SAVE can be reviewed at www.nationalsave.org or calling toll free 866.343.SAVE.

About the Security Industry Association

The Security Industry Association (SIA) is a nonprofit international trade association representing electronic and physical security product manufacturers, integrators, specifiers, and service providers. SIA advocates for and supports the industry by providing education, research, technical standards and representation and defense of its members' interests. SIA is sole sponsor of the International Security Conference and Exhibitions (ISC EXPO). Learn more at www.siaonline.org.