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HARDIN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY DONATES \$125,000 TO THE CENTRAL FLORIDA ZOO & BOTANICAL GARDENS

ATLANTA (December 10, 2008) — The Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens announced today a gift from Hardin Construction Company valued at over \$125,000.

In their ongoing green practice, Hardin Construction Company, LLC donated kiosks and trash receptacles to the Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens that would have otherwise ended up in a landfill. T.J. Wright, Senior Project Manager at Hardin is a patron of the Central Florida Zoo and knew that this donation would be extremely helpful to the Zoo. Wright contacted two of Hardin's subcontractors, Neff Rental in Sanford and Allstate Paving Inc. participated in the effort by donating their services in the transportation and off-loading of the items.

“The donation of kiosks and trash receptacles will enhance the grounds at the Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens and allow us to allocate the money that would have been used to purchase these products to our Get Your Wild On! Tiger Campaign. We are thrilled that Mr. Wright and Hardin Construction thought of the Zoo.”

“We are proud to support the Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens and their mission to provide environmental and conservation education for both children and adults in

Central Florida,” said Steve Rivers, Hardin Construction Senior Vice President. “This donation is a part of Hardin’s green effort to consistently remain environmentally conscious and look for creative ways to recycle unused items whenever possible on all of our projects,” Rivers added.

About the Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens

The Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Garden is open daily (except Thanksgiving and Christmas). Admission to the zoo is \$10.95 for adults, \$6.95 for children 3 – 12 years, \$8.95 for seniors 60 and over, and free for children 2 years and under. Central Florida Zoo members are admitted free. For more information, call 407/323-4450 or visit the Central Florida Zoo’s Web site at centralfloridazoo.org. The Zoo is located at 3755 NW Highway 17-92 at I-4, exit 104 in Sanford.

About Hardin Construction Company

Founded in 1946, Hardin Construction Company is a leading general contractor and construction manager in the United States and has consistently been in the forefront of its industry for years. With offices in Atlanta, GA, Tampa, FL, Orlando, FL, Raleigh, NC, and Austin, TX, Hardin Construction provides comprehensive construction services including general construction, construction management, design-build, renovation, and FF&E management. A privately held company, Hardin Construction provides services in markets such as retail, hospitality, residential, office, education, healthcare and public assembly. For more information, visit www.hardinconstruction.com.

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