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To: Missouri High School Counselors, Business, and
Family & Consumer Science Teachers

From: Mary LaBarbera, Administrator of the CENTER on the behalf of the
CENTER Board of Trustees

Date: February, 2010

Re: **MISSOURI BUSINESS WEEK 2010 & "It's Your Move"**

Traditionally, this is the time of year that information about MISSOURI BUSINESS WEEK (MBW) is sent to teachers throughout the state. As a program of the CENTER for Education & Private Enterprise of the Missouri Association of REALTORS®, MBW has had the privilege of hosting Missouri high school students interested in business and marketing for the past 25 years. MBW scholarships have been provided by Missouri REALTORS® and other industries, allowing more than 200 students annually to attend an educational program that has shaped the lives of many.

Due to changes in the economy that have affected all of us plus a decrease in the REALTOR® Association membership, it has become necessary to step back and look for new sources of funding. With this end in mind, MBW has been suspended for the 2010 calendar year. To keep our efforts moving forward, an outside firm has been hired to assist with the fundraising and to look for new opportunities.

In addition, for those teachers who use the "It's Your Move" curriculum for Personal Finance, business, consumer education and other classes, we are in the midst of revising the text book and other classroom material. Orders previously received and future orders will be filled until the current inventory is depleted. You will be notified by mail, with an order form included, when the revised edition is available.

Updates about MISSOURI BUSINESS WEEK and "It's Your Move" programs will be posted on our websites www.thecepe.org and www.missouribusinessweek.com. Further information will be sent to you by the fall of 2010 with news about our plans for the future. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (800) 403-0101, x133 or 445-8400 if you are in Columbia.