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**Masonite Inc. Elects Robert J. Byrne
as Chairman of the Board**

[Mississauga, ON, July 7, 2010] – Masonite Inc., a leading global manufacturer of residential and commercial doors, announced today that the Board of Directors has unanimously elected Robert J. Byrne as Chairman of the Board. Effective August 1, 2010, Mr. Byrne will assume the role of Chairman from Kenneth W. Freeman, who will remain a member of the Board. Mr. Freeman stepped down from his position as the Company’s Chairman due to his recent acceptance of the position of Allen Questrom Professor and Dean of the Boston University School of Management.

Mr. Byrne has been a board member of Masonite Inc. since June 9, 2009, following the Company’s successful financial reorganization and emergence from Chapter 11, and currently serves as Chairman of the Finance Committee and is a member of the Audit Committee. Mr. Byrne is the Founder and President of Power Pro-Tech Services, Inc. An entrepreneur, Mr. Byrne began his career in investment banking, and received an MBA from Harvard Business School and a B.S. Finance from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

“Bob brings strong credentials and valuable experience to the Chairman’s role,” said Mr. Freeman. “We look forward to his leadership of the Board as Masonite continues pursuing value creation opportunities.”

“I look forward to working closely with Bob as we build upon our leadership position in the building products industry,” said Fred Lynch, President and CEO of Masonite. “I also extend thanks to Ken Freeman for his vision and many years of service as Chairman and am pleased that he will continue to serve as a member of our Board of Directors.”

“I am excited to assume the role of Chairman of the Board of Masonite,” said Mr. Byrne. “I look forward to working with the directors, management and employees as we execute our strategy to innovate and grow as a premier building products leader.”

This press release is available on the Company's website at www.masonite.com.

About Masonite

Masonite Inc. is a leading global manufacturer of residential and commercial doors, committed to providing the highest value building products to our customers in more than 85 countries around the world.

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