

Resource Capital Corp. Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend

PHILADELPHIA, PA, Dec 18, 2008 (MARKET WIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Resource Capital Corp. (NYSE: RSO) ("RCC") announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of \$0.39 per common share for the quarter ending December 31, 2008. The dividend will be paid on January 28, 2009 to holders of record on December 30, 2008.

Resource Capital Corp. is a commercial real estate specialty finance company that qualifies as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, for federal income tax purposes. RCC's investment strategy focuses on commercial real estate-related assets and, to a lesser extent, higher-yielding commercial finance assets. RCC invests in the following asset classes: commercial real estate-related assets such as whole loans, A-notes, B-notes, mezzanine loans and mortgage-related securities and commercial finance assets such as other asset-backed securities, senior secured corporate loans, equipment leases and notes, trust preferred securities, debt tranches of collateralized debt obligations and private equity investments principally issued by financial institutions.

RCC is externally managed by Resource Capital Manager, Inc., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Resource America, Inc. (NASDAQ: REXI), a specialized asset management company that uses industry specific expertise to generate and administer investment opportunities for its own account and for outside investors in the commercial finance, real estate and financial fund management sectors.

For more information, please visit the Resource Capital Corp. website at www.resourcecapitalcorp.com or contact investor relations at pkamdar@resourceamerica.com.

This press release includes statements that may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements are subject to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond management's control. Factors that can affect future results are discussed in the documents filed by Resource Capital Corp. from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Resource Capital Corp. undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect new or changing information or events.

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