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## ANICHINI's Threads Count toward Global Sustainability

### 1% of Sales to Support Leadership Program at Sustainability Think Tank

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**Tunbridge, Vermont – March 30, 2007** ANICHINI – the world's most exclusive collection of linens and fine textile furnishings - has announced that, beginning April 1, the company will donate 1% of all revenue from its five ANICHINI retail stores to the Sustainability Institute of Hartland, Vermont.

“The time has come for ANICHINI to partner with an organization that is focusing on the issues we face globally,” said Susan Dollenmaier, owner of ANICHINI. “My early work with global visionary Buckminster Fuller has led me in this direction. I have searched for an organization that resonates with ANICHINI's values and chosen the Sustainability Institute because - like ANICHINI - they are Vermont based, yet influential on a global scale. I look forward to developing a relationship with the Institute where we can address issues that ANICHINI faces such as developing sustainable packaging and creating an industry standard of “green” bedding for hospitality properties.

Sustainability Institute - founded in 1996 by the late Donella Meadows, an Environmental Studies professor at Dartmouth College, lead author of *Limits to Growth*, and author of the award-winning weekly column *Global Citizen* - promotes local, national and international efforts to reverse damaging trends in environmental, economic, and social systems. Through education and mentoring, the Institute advances progress toward finding a balance between the production and consumption of the world's resources. They are committed to being instrumental in a global shift from the Industrial Age to the Age of Sustainability.

ANICHINI's donation is earmarked for the Donella Meadows Leadership Fellows Program. This 18-month program accepts sixteen to twenty career professionals, over half of whom are women, from around the world for leadership training. The participants are influential, actively involved members of sustainability efforts in government, business, nonprofit and philanthropic organizations. The leadership training and cross-sector networking skills gained from this Fellowship enable them to maximize the effectiveness of their sustainability work and support a growing network of their peers.

“We are very excited about partnering with ANICHINI. Sustainability Institute has several national and international projects,” says Edie Farwell, program director of the Donella Meadows Leadership Fellows Program. “It's wonderful to join forces locally with ANICHINI in working for global sustainability.”

Sales at all five of the ANICHINI retail locations will contribute to the program.

ANICHINI Los Angeles

ANICHINI Company Store  
West Lebanon, NH

ANICHINI Dallas

ANICHINI Company Store  
Manchester Center, VT

ANICHINI at ABC Carpet & Home  
New York, NY

For more information on the Sustainability Institute visit: [www.sustainer.org](http://www.sustainer.org)

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