FIXED INTEREST RATE MORTGAGE LOANS

Capital Markets: Financial and Securities Markets, including the Mortgage Market.

Loan Availability: **Economic Growth** prospects (global, national and local), expected **Inflation**, and other **Risks** all affect the supply and cost of **Mortgage** funds.

Lenders as Intermediaries: Most **Real Estate Lenders** sell the **Loans** they **Originate** into the **Secondary Mortgage Market** rather than holding the **Loans** to **Maturity**.

Loan Pricing: The **Interest Rate**, any **Fees**, **Points** and **Costs** charged by the **Lender**, and the **Loan Terms** (including any **Prepayment Penalties**).

Real Interest Rate: The nominal or contract **Interest Rate** minus expected **Inflation**.

Risk Adjusted Return: Expected investment **Return** relative to the perceived **Risk**.

Amortization: The process of Repaying the Principal Balance of a Loan over time.

Balloon Payment: The **Principal Balance** of the **Loan** due on the **Maturity Date**.

Pay Rate vs. Accrual Rate: Is the actual monthly mortgage Payment that is made by a Borrower at least equal to the Accrued Interest amount then due on the Loan?

Constant Payment Mortgage: When each monthly Payment is the same, the Loan will be Fully Amortizing, Partially Amortizing, Interest Only or Negative Amortizing.

Constant Amortization Mortgage: When each **Payment** includes a fixed amount of **Principal** repayment, with the monthly **Payment** and **Interest** amounts declining.

Reverse Annuity Mortgage: The **Lender** sends fixed monthly checks to the **Borrower** who must pay the accumulated **Principal** and accrued **Interest** on the **Maturity Date**.

Loan Fees and Costs: Origination Fees (for loan underwriting and processing),
Appraisal and Credit Report. Loan Fees and Points increase the Lender's Yield.

Annual Percentage Rate (APR): Provides Disclosure regarding the effects of Loan Fees, Points and Costs on Residential Loans (assumes the Loan is held to Maturity).

Truth-in-Lending Act: Federal Reserve Regulation Z requires Lenders to include in APR calculations all Loan Fees, Points and Costs, but not any Prepayment Penalties.

Prepayment Penalties: Increase the **Effective Yield** to the **Lender**, are subject to **Negotiation** and are not reflected in the **APR** of a Loan. If a **Prepayment Penalty** is paid, **the Effective Yield** to the **Lender** will be higher if the **Loan** is repaid earlier.

Effective Annual Interest Rate: Calculation that considers all Loan Fees, Points and Costs and any Prepayment Penalties actually paid, and is therefore affected by the amount of Time the Loan is held until Repayment.