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**IMPROVE CURB APPEAL BY RESURFACING YOUR CONCRETE DRIVEWAY** *QUIKRETE<sup>®</sup> Concrete Resurfacer Repairs and Strengthens Concrete Surfaces* 

ATLANTA (May 26, 2006) – Your driveway is your home's first impression to the neighborhood. As the trend of remodeling older homes continues to grow; a cracked, spalled driveway is often a neglected improvement project due to the effort and expense of removing and replacing the concrete or asphalt. A more cost-effective solution is to repair – and strengthen – a driveway by *resurfacing* the concrete.

With a simple squeegee application, QUIKRETE<sup>®</sup> Concrete Resurfacer provides a durable, wear-resistant surface designed to withstand heavy traffic on driveways, walkways, sidewalks and patios. In order to resurface a driveway, homeowners will need only a long handled squeegee, a five-gallon bucket and QUIKRETE<sup>®</sup> Concrete Resurfacer (available in 20-pound pails, 40-pound bags and 80-pound bags). One 40-pound bag resurfaces approximately 90 square feet at 1/16-inch thickness.

- Begin by cleaning the driveway. This will ensure the QUIKRETE<sup>®</sup> Concrete Resurfacer properly bonds with the existing surface.
- Follow the directions on the bag by blending the resurfacing mix with water until a pourable consistency is achieved.
- Use a pressure washer to clean the surface and saturate the driveway. Finish step by removing any standing water.
- Pour the mixture on the concrete surface and then carefully spread with a longhandled squeegee.
- Use the squeegee to scrub the material into the surface.



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- For a slip-resistant professional finish, follow within 5 minutes with a broom making full strokes across the full distance of the current work area without stopping.
- Wait 6 hours before allowing foot traffic and 24 hours for automobile traffic (with cool temperatures allow longer curing time prior to use).
- Protect from rain for at least 6 hours, longer in cool or damp weather.
- Do not cover unless immediate rain protection is necessary. No sealer is required.

If interested in a decorative finish, add desired QUIKRETE<sup>®</sup> Cement Colors to product mixture. For thicker applications, use additional thin layers of QUIKRETE<sup>®</sup> Concrete Resurfacer or use a trowel applied layer after the initial squeegee application.

For more information on repair and renovation projects, visit <u>www.quikrete.com</u>.

## The QUIKRETE<sup>®</sup> Companies

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