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WINNSBORO HOMEOWNER HAS A LOT TO CELEBRATE DURING HOMEOWNERSHIP MONTH

WINNSBORO, June 11, 2008 – June is celebrated nationally as Homeownership Month to promote the benefits of homeownership and encourage potential homebuyers and others to consider the benefits of homeownership. In Winnsboro, Christy Allen is celebrating Homeownership Month in style – in her new home.

“Many people ask . . . how can a 28-year-old female own a new home?” said Allen. “I always tell them, patience and perseverance!”

Allen recently purchased a newly constructed home in Winnsboro. Her new home includes three bedrooms, two full bathrooms, and a formal living room and dining room.

Allen purchased her home through a direct USDA Rural Development home loan. This federal home loan program offers 100 percent financing, extended financing periods, and fixed-rate financing.

“I encourage anyone dreaming of owning a home to give USDA Rural Development a shot,” said Allen. “They walked me through the application process step-by-step—and it didn’t matter how many times I called or when I called, they always made me feel welcome.”

Eligibility for USDA Rural Development homeownership programs is primarily based on income, repayment ability, and acceptable credit history.

Further information on USDA Rural Development’s homeownership programs can be obtained from Bruce Norwood, Single Family Housing Specialist, Monroe Area Office, (318) 343-4467, extension 4, or by visiting <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>.

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