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**PARTNERAMERICA™ AND SYRACUSE MAYOR MATTHEW
DRISCOLL TO HOST FIRST SMALL BUSINESS
CONFERENCE**

Syracuse, NY – (May 29, 2008) – *PartnerAmerica™*, a public-private partnership between the U.S. Conference of Mayors and American Management Services, Inc., dedicated to small business growth, will team up with Mayor Matthew Driscoll to host the *first-ever* small business conference on June 17, 2008. This event is free to all local-area small businesses and will take place at Hotel Syracuse, 500 South Warrant Street from 7:30am to 1:00pm.

The focus of this event will be on the multitude of small business programs that are offered on the local, regional, state and federal levels. The conference will be comprised of opening remarks by Mayor Matthew Driscoll, followed by informative presentations by Mr. Louis M. Mosca, Executive Vice-President of American Management Services, Inc. and national spokesperson for PartnerAmerica,™ Syracuse Chamber of Commerce, Metropolitan Development Association, City of Syracuse, County of Onondaga, Empire State Development Corporation, General Services Administration (GSA) and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

Syracuse's Mayor, the Honorable Matthew Driscoll recently commented on this upcoming event, "the small business community in the city of Syracuse continues to play an integral role on a daily basis. My administration and I are fully committed to attracting, retaining and growing our small business owners' businesses. We are pleased to hold our first, annual small business conference and certainly look forward to great participation and attendance."

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Louis M. Mosca, Executive Vice-President of American Management Services, Inc. whose presentation is entitled, “Do You Really Want to Make a Profit” also serves as a national spokesperson for PartnerAmerica.™ Mr. Mosca had this to say about the conference, “kudos to Mayor Driscoll and the city of Syracuse for taking the time and effort to assist their small business owners. This is just one more example of how PartnerAmerica™ can work in conjunction with the local community to further the development and growth of small business in their fair city.”

American Management Services, Inc.

George A. Cloutier, the nation’s small business expert founded the company in 1986 to offer implementation-based profit-maximization services to privately held, small and mid-sized business owners. Over the last 21 years, Cloutier has forged more than 6,000 client relationships in 400 industries, realizing over \$1 billion in savings for his clients, 40% of which are family-owned businesses. He has grown American Management Services from a one-man operation to a 120 employee company with offices on the East Coast. For more information, please contact American Management Services, Inc. at 800.743.0402 or visit their website at www.amserv.com.

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PartnerAmerica™ is a unique, small business growth program developed by American Management Services, Inc. and the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Formed in 2000, the program is the nation’s first public-private small business resource initiative, providing management expertise, technical assistance and educational opportunities to small businesses across the country. Currently, Cloutier serves as Co-Chairman of Partner America™, along with Tom Cochran, CEO and Executive Director of USCM. Louis M. Mosca, Executive Vice-President of American Management Services, Inc. continues to serve as a national spokesperson for PartnerAmerica.™

U.S. Conference of Mayors

For over 75 years, the United States Conference of Mayors has served as the official non-partisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more, focusing on the development and implementation of national urban policies impacting the sustainable development and growth of cities across the United States. The official website for USCM is www.usmayors.org.