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LA-Z-BOY CEO AWARDED HONORARY DOCTORATE
Gives Commencement Address at Adrian College

MONROE, MI. May 4, 2009—La-Z-Boy Incorporated (NYSE: LZB) President and CEO, Kurt L. Darrow, was awarded an Honorary Degree – Doctor of Human Letters -- from Adrian College, his alma mater, from which he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration in 1977. In conjunction with receiving the degree, Darrow gave the Commencement Address to the college's 2009 Graduating Class. His speech focused on the importance of acting with integrity and responsibility throughout one's life and career. He also spoke about keeping a focus on faith, family and friends.

Darrow said, "It was a distinct privilege to address the 2009 class of Adrian College. This student body represents our future and we need to honor, support and revere these graduates as we look to them to improve the world in a myriad of different ways. Adrian is a great institution and I am proud to be a graduate, a trustee and recipient of an Honorary Degree."

Dr. Jeffrey R. Docking, President of Adrian College, said, "We were delighted Kurt gave the Commencement Address to this year's graduating class. It was thought provoking and inspirational. An accomplished executive at the top of his profession, Kurt represents the best of Adrian and we are proud he is a graduate of our great institution."

Background Information

La-Z-Boy Incorporated is one of the world's leading residential furniture producers, marketing furniture for every room of the home. The La-Z-Boy Upholstery Group companies are Bauhaus, England and La-Z-Boy. The La-Z-Boy Casegoods Group companies are American Drew/Lea, Hammary and Kincaid.

The corporation's proprietary distribution network is dedicated exclusively to selling La-Z-Boy Incorporated products and brands, and includes 328 stand-alone La-Z-Boy Furniture Galleries® stores and 449 Comfort Studios, in addition to in-store gallery programs at the company's Kincaid, England and Lea operating units. According to industry trade publication *In Furniture*, the La-Z-Boy Furniture Galleries retail network is North America's largest single-brand furniture retailer. Additional information is available at <http://www.la-z-boy.com/>.

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