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# Huntington Economist Named Vice Chairman of National Economic Advisory Committee

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 11, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Huntington director of economics George Mokrzan, Ph.D., was recently named vice chairman of the Economic Advisory Committee for the American Bankers Association (ABA), which is the largest banking trade association in the United States, representing banks of all sizes and charters.

The 11-member committee is made up of a small group of leading economists from geographically diverse parts of the United States. Mokrzan has served on the committee since 2005.

"It's a great honor for George to be recognized with such an important leadership role. The ABA's Economic Advisory Committee provides valuable counsel to our government and to the entire banking industry," said Randy Bateman, chief investment officer for Huntington.

Twice a year, the committee meets with members of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors and the President's Council of Economic Advisors. The committee also advises the ABA on banking and economic issues.

Mokrzan earned a doctorate in macroeconomics, international economics and econometrics from Duke University in 1990. He earned a master's degree in economics from Duke University and a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Rochester. He recently became a panelist for the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia Livingston Survey and also serves on the *CNN Money* Economist Poll.

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