

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Shut The Door On High Home Maintenance Costs

(NAPSA)—Spring cleaning, spring gardening and spring remodeling projects can all give homes a new look for summer. As you open your windows and doors this spring for warmer weather, you may find that your patio door isn't performing like it used to.

Finding the perfect new door, whether it's for a remodeling project or a newly constructed home, is an important step in increasing the value and minimizing the maintenance of your home. Home improvement expert Lou Manfredini suggests looking for the following product features in a new patio door:

- **Security.** Look for a concealed multipoint locking system that can offer your family peace of mind while preserving a clean, classic look.

- **Energy efficiency.** Dual-pane, insulating glass helps lower heating and cooling costs. Add a Low E II coating with Argon gas for increased energy efficiency.

- **Quality craftsmanship.** Purchase a door made with superior craftsmanship for lasting quality that will add value to your home. The furniture-grade wood interiors, tough extruded aluminum exteriors and superior fit and finish of Marvin swinging and sliding doors guarantee that the beautiful look of your door will endure for years to come.

- **Superior strength.** A door needs to withstand heavy use throughout the day, so make sure



A strong patio door will last for many years, lowering maintenance costs for your home.

that the structural materials of your door are up to the challenge. Marvin Windows and Doors uses Ultrex, a highly durable material that is not affected by heat, cold or foot traffic, for their door sills for protection against the effects of Mother Nature and your family.

- **Low maintenance.** Eliminate hassle by choosing a door with low maintenance, thick aluminum cladding. A clad, durable exterior with a high-quality finish offers protection against fading, chipping and chalking to maintain a long-lasting, beautiful finish.

“By investing in quality windows and doors and not being guided by the cheapest price, you will see your investment paid back by both ease of use and resale value,” says Manfredini.

For more information about purchasing a new patio door for your new home or remodeling project, call Marvin Windows and Doors at (888) 537-8268 or visit www.marvin.com.