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## **INNOVATIVE NEW BLOCKS DEBUT AT TOY FAIR 2003**

## PixelBlocks® Breaks Out With Patented Connections and Colors

NEW YORK, NY (February 16, 2003)—PixelBlocks®, combining glistening colors and unlimited building capability, is being introduced at the American International Toy Fair, this week (February 16 - February 19, 2003) in New York City. Setting pixels free from the screen, PixelBlocks® is being shown at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, booth #1763.

PixelBlocks® have both vertical and horizontal interlocking mechanisms, enabling the blocks to connect in numerous ways, in any direction. PixelBlocks® feature a patented tooth and groove configuration on four sides and traditional top-to-bottom stacking ability, making them compatible with other leading brand building blocks. Also, PixelBlocks® can be transformed into colorful translucent mosaic images, unique to existing block offerings at retail. In fact, consumers will soon be able to use the 'digital photo converter' at <a href="www.PixelBlocks.com">www.PixelBlocks.com</a> to design 'mosaic maps' to recreate personal photos, one of the many exciting features under construction at the PixelBlocks® Web site.

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"We want to bring creativity back to block play," said PixelBlocks® President, Aaron Rincover. "We offer a single shape – a physical *pixel*, if you will – in a sophisticated, glistening color palette, with unlimited connection possibilities. PixelBlocks® enable children, and adults, to create what's in their imagination."

Designed for ages 8 and up, initial PixelBlocks® offerings will include a range of block sets featuring from 200 to 2400 pieces in up to 20 vibrant colors. Each PixelBlocks® package will include a 'Playbook' illustrating a variety of 2D and 3D connection possibilities and a glimpse into the colorfully creative PixelBlocks® world. PixelBlocks® will retail for approximately \$5 to \$35 per set, with product reaching store shelves in Summer 2003.

Developed for the creative specialty and mass toy consumer markets by a consortium of five toy industry veterans, PixelBlocks®, Inc. is located in Glendora, California.