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## **Hingham's Richard J. Valentine & Teammate Andy Lally Score Series-Leading Fourth Grand-Am Rolex GT Victory at Iowa Speedway** *Team Jumps to Second Place in Championship Series*

Braintree, MA (July 16, 2007) – Boston entrepreneur and Hingham resident Richard J. Valentine and teammate Andy Lally were back in the winner's circle this weekend with a hard fought, thrilling victory in Saturday's Grand-Am Rolex Sports Car Series presented by Crown Royal Special Reserve GT race at Iowa Speedway. He and teammate Andy Lally, piloted their #66 TRG CRG/Maxter Porsche GT3 to an unprecedented series-leading fourth victory –

jumping into second place in championship standing and just 10 points behind the lead. The team has registered victories at the **Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca** (May 19), and, along with teammate Spencer Pumpelly, won the **Sahlen's Six Hours of The Glen at Watkins Glen** (June 9) and at the EMCO Gears Classic at **Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course**, in Lexington, Ohio (June 23).

Despite falling a lap behind early, Lally put the No. 66 TRG CRG/Maxter Porsche GT3 into the lead with 20 laps remaining in the two-and-a-half hour race and came away with the team's series-leading fourth victory of 2007.

Valentine started the car 13th and improved several spots before pitting along with several other cars under the green flag. He watched as Lally fell a lap behind, but every other team made its first stop under green too, allowing Lally to make it into the top five when the first round of stops cycled through.

"As always, my job is just to come out here and hand the car off to Andy and let him take it from there," Valentine said. "This is a great win for TRG. We are so pleased to be in victory lane once again and take second in points."

It was a hard-fought victory not just on the track, but in the car as well. Lally – who posted his record 50th career Grand-Am Rolex Series podium finish – fought hot conditions throughout the afternoon due to conditions and a kink in his cool suit line when the driver change occurred, stopping once just to have his TRG team pour ice down his driver suit. He also frequently stuck his hand between the window net to get air.

Lally, who took over for co-driver RJ Valentine who took the car from 14<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> in his 25 minute stint, assumed the lead during the final round of pit stops, rejoined the race in second behind No. 87 Farnbacher Loles Motorsports IPC/Marquis Jet Porsche GT3 driver Dirk Werner, then pressured the leader for several laps before getting a run coming out of Turn 9 on Lap 165. Lally and Werner went side-by-side across the start/finish line before Lally completed the pass in Turn 1.

"This place is so busy," Lally said. "But this is what you dream for. At the end, I was seriously worried. The only thing I knew was that Dirk was hot, because we were both hanging our hands out the sides of the car trying to get some air. I don't think I was going to get by Dirk if it weren't for a couple of situations. When I saw Tim in my mirrors, I got really worried, but luckily, everything worked out well.

"This was our biggest win of the year. RJ came within a second of my time which helped us tremendously. New team sponsor AVIVA is located here in Iowa, and they had so many people here. It was great to come out and get a victory in front of their guys."

The Rolex Sports Car Series returns to action next weekend with the Porsche 250 at Barber Motorsports Park in Birmingham, Ala. while the Daytona Prototypes are scheduled for a two-and-a-half hour race Sunday (SPEED, 3 p.m. ET Sunday, July 22). The GT race is also scheduled for two and a half hours and will start at 4 p.m. Saturday (SPEED, 4 p.m. ET Saturday, July 21).

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