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1800 Arch Street Selected as 2019 ULI Global Awards for Excellence Winner

Eleven Outstanding Developments from Around the Globe Selected as Winners

Philadelphia – September 9, 2019 – 1800 Arch Street has been selected among eleven outstanding real estate development projects from around the globe as winners of the 2019 ULI Global Awards for Excellence, widely recognized as one of the development industry’s most prestigious awards programs.

The winners, each of which demonstrates a comprehensive level of quality and a forward-looking approach to development and design, include seven projects in the United States, three in Asia, and one in Europe.

The winners are:

- **1800 Arch Street**, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Developers: Liberty Property Trust / Liberty Property 18th & Arch LP, Comcast Corporation; Designers: Foster and Partners, Kendall/Heaton Associates);

- **Cornell Tech Campus Framework Plan & Phase I Site Development**, New York, New York (Developers: Forest City Ratner Corporation; Hudson Companies; Related Companies; U3 Advisors; Cornell University; New York City Economic Development Corporation; Designers: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP; James Corner Field Operations; Consultants: Karen Backus & Associates; Sirefman Ventures; Tishman Construction; AKF / In-Posse; Robert Silman; Philip Habib & Associates (PHA); Two Twelve; Fried Frank; Jaros, Baum & Bolles; DeSimone Engineers; Cerami & Associates; Pentagram; Gleeds; Langan Engineering; RWDI Consulting Engineers and Scientists; Brandston Partnership)

- **Empire Stores**, Brooklyn, New York (Developers: Midtown Equities, HK Organization, Rockwood Capital; Designers: Studio V Architecture, S9 Architecture; Associate Architects: Perkins Eastman; General Contractor: Veracity Partners; Landscape Designer: Future Green Studio; Structural Engineer: Robert Silman Associates; MEP Engineer: Mottola Rini Engineers; LEED Consultant: Spiezie Architectural Group; Lighting Consultant: Tillotson Design Associates)

- **Gathering Place**, Tulsa, Oklahoma (Developers: George Kaiser Family Foundation; Designers: Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates, Mack Scogin Merrill Elam Architects)

- **Guoco Tower**, Singapore (Developer: Guocoland; Designer: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP)
The winners were selected by an international jury made up of leading ULI members representing multidisciplinary real estate expertise, including finance, planning, development, design, and other professional services.

“Given the diversity and quality of the finalist entries this year, the jury was faced with a significant challenge to narrow the field to the ultimate winners,” said jury chairman Jacinta McCann, global design advisor to AECOM. “In the end, the qualities that determined the winners included not only comprehensive design excellence, but also financing, programmatic innovation, sustainability, social equity, access and mobility enhancements, and local and regional economic stimulus. We were also pleased to see that a number of winning entries took advantage of optimizing transit-related infrastructure.”

“Our Global Awards for Excellence program is widely considered the centerpiece of ULI’s efforts to identify and promote best practices in all types of real estate development,” said ULI Global Chief Executive Officer W. Edward Walter. “Each of these winners demonstrates the key contribution that thoughtful, innovative development makes in the creation of a great urban experience.”
The Awards for Excellence program, established in 1979 and subsequently expanded to a global program, recognizes the full development process of a project beyond the core components of architecture and design. Projects must be financially viable, substantially complete, and in stabilized operation to be eligible for the awards. The criteria for the awards include leadership, market acceptance, relevance and positive contribution to the community, environmental stewardship and resiliency, replicability, and financial success. The program has recognized many types of projects throughout its history, including office, residential, recreational, mixed use, industrial/office park, retail, new community, rehabilitation, and public realm.

In addition to McCann, the 2019 ULI Global Awards for Excellence Jury members were Stuart Ackerberg, chief executive officer, Ackerberg, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Amy Coburn, university architect/director of planning design & construction, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Antonio Fiol-Silva, founding principal, SITIO architecture + urbanism, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Michael Grove, principal and chair of landscape architecture, civil engineering, and ecology, Sasaki Associates, Watertown, Massachusetts; Blake Olafson, managing partner, Asia Capital Real Estate Pte Ltd, Singapore; Gayle Starr, managing director, Prologis, San Francisco, California, and Becky Zimmermann, president, Design Workshop, Denver, Colorado.

Previously, 1800 Arch Street was recognized as a 2019 Willard G. "Bill" Rouse III Awards for Excellence winner, ULI Philadelphia’s regional awards program that recognizes projects that excel at leadership in development, sustainability & building performance, market acceptance and community impact.

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