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**MAYOR ANTHONY WILLIAMS, CAROLINE KENNEY OF URBAN ATLANTIC, AND STEWART SCHWARTZ
AND THE COALITION FOR SMARTER GROWTH HONORED BY ULI WASHINGTON
AT LEADERSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY**

On Tuesday June 7, over 400 people attended ULI Washington’s Leadership Awards Program at the National Portrait Gallery from 6:00-10:00pm. In an evening celebrating exemplary leaders in three new categories – The Trailblazer, The Groundbreaker and The Changemaker – ULI Washington honored Mayor Anthony A. Williams, Caroline Kenney of Urban Atlantic, and Stewart Schwartz & The Coalition for Smarter Growth for their contributions to the Metropolitan Washington Region and the land use and real estate industry.

“Strong leadership drives every positive outcome in our lives,” said Julie Smith, CAO, Bozzuto and ULI Washington Chair. “Knowing that our region is rich in talent, we wanted not only to honor an extraordinary leader with a legacy of unparalleled accomplishments, but we also wanted to recognize a mid-career professional with a body of work behind them and a long runway ahead of them. And finally, we wanted to celebrate the important work that is being done in the non-profit and public sector that is driving positive change in our communities.”

Deborah Kerson Bilek, Executive Director, ULI Washington, added, “Our goal in designing this program was to be transparent in our process, and to representative of the values and people and talent across this industry. We couldn’t be more thrilled to honor this class of incredibly dedicated regional leaders.”

ULI WASHINGTON HONOREES:

- **The Trailblazer - Mayor Anthony A. Williams**, CEO, Federal City Council
- **The Groundbreaker - Caroline Kenney**, Managing Director of Public-Private Ventures, Urban Atlantic
- **The Changemaker - Stewart Schwartz & The Coalition for Smarter Growth**, Executive Director

OTHER SPEAKERS:

- **Deborah Bilek**, Executive Director, ULI Washington
- **Yolanda Cole**, Senior Principal and Owner, Hickok Cole
- **Matt Klein**, President and CEO, Akridge
- **Julie Smith**, Chief Administrative Officer, The Bozzuto Group and Chair, ULI Washington
- **Jamie Weinbaum**, Executive Vice President, MidCity Development

ABOUT ULI WASHINGTON:

ULI is a global, member-driven organization comprising more than 45,000 real estate and urban development professionals dedicated to advancing the mission of shaping the future of the built environment for transformative impact in communities worldwide. ULI Washington, a district council of

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