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## Helaba Bank to provide \$90 million for SL Green/Sutton joint venture redevelopment

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SL Green Realty Corp., in partnership with Jeff Sutton, is joining forces with Harel Insurance and Finance in a joint venture partnership to develop a building featuring high end retail space and student dormitory housing for Pace University at 180-182 Broadway and 2 John St. SL Green/Sutton will retain a 51% controlling interest in the property.

The venture recently closed on a new five-year \$90 million construction loan facility led by Helaba Bank.

Under the agreement entered into with Pace University, the joint venture partnership will develop a 24-story building at the site and then convey a long-term ground lease condominium interest to Pace University for 20 floors of student housing. The joint venture partners will retain ownership interest of the three bottom floors through a separate condominium interest and will seek to lease that space to one or more upscale retail tenants. The building is expected to be delivered in 2013.

Located across the street from the \$1.4 billion Fulton St. transit hub which is expected to be completed in 2014, 180 Broadway is extremely well situated for both student residential and retail use. It is not only convenient to public transit and Pace University, but also to Lower Manhattan's financial business hub and various amenities.

Andrew Mathias, president of SL Green, said, "This latest SL Green and Sutton collaboration continues a long relationship that has featured extremely successful retail development projects. Our ability to attract Harel, a renowned global investor and Pace University, one of Manhattan's premier educational institutions, speaks to the strength of our position in New York City as both a financial partner and landlord."

Gadi Ben-Haim, Harel's Head of Real-Estate Investments, stated "Harel is a prominent investor in commercial real estate both in Israel and abroad, and this partnership with two of New York City's leading players is an exciting new venture which we anticipate will deliver positive results for all parties involved."

"This new residence hall will be a major enhancement for generations of Pace University students who value the experience of living and learning in lower Manhattan," said William McGrath, Pace University's Senior Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer. "We've been providing professional leaders and scholarship to the community since we started here 104 years ago, and we intend to be a force in the area's continuing rebirth."

Mathias said, "We believe this property, when combined with the openings of the transit hub and the World Trade Center related developments, will be an ideal home to premier retail tenants looking to take advantage of the resurgence of this Broadway corridor."

David Falk and Kyle Ciminelli of Newmark Knight Frank and Jack Bart of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP acted on behalf of Pace University, and Stuart Mass and Noah Shapiro of Haynes and Boone,

LLP and Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP acted on behalf of SL Green. Ben Shaoul of Magnum Management provided pre-development, development, and advisory services to the partnership.

SL Green Realty Corp. is a self-administered and self-managed real estate investment trust, or REIT, that predominantly acquires, owns, repositions and manages Manhattan office properties. SL Green is the only publicly held REIT that specializes in this niche. As of September 30, 2010, SL Green owned interests in 30 New York City office properties totaling approximately 22,324,460 square feet, making it New York's largest office landlord. In addition, at September 30, 2010, SL Green held investment interests in, among other things, eight retail properties encompassing approximately 366,312 square feet, three development properties encompassing approximately 399,800 square feet and two land interests, along with ownership interests in 31 suburban assets totaling 6,804,700 square feet in Brooklyn, Queens, Long Island, Westchester County, Connecticut and New Jersey.

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