



## Heatherwood Luxury Apartments breaks ground on 428-unit Heritage Westminster

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Shown (from left) are: Matthew Gendron of Heatherwood, Ron Walker of Heatherwood, Tara Bernhardt of Heatherwood, John Shaud, president of The West Hempstead Historical Society; Vincent Sutera of Heatherwood, Christine Linsalato of Heatherwood, Don Clavin, supervisor of the Town of Hempstead; Chris Capece, president of Heatherwood; Doug Partrick, owner of Heatherwood; Jeanine Driscoll, receiver of taxes, Town of Hempstead; Kate Murray, town clerk, Town of Hempstead; Maureen Greenberg, West Hempstead Civic Association; Regina Todd, councilman, Cathedral Gardens Civic Association; Thomas Muscarella, councilman; Jodi Baker of Heatherwood, and Rickey Piazza of Heatherwood.

West Hempstead, NY Heatherwood Luxury Apartments held a groundbreaking ceremony marking the start of construction on Heritage Westminster, its latest Long Island multi-family development. Located at 111 Hempstead Tpke., Heritage Westminster is the result of a working partnership comprised of Heatherwood, local community organizations, the town, and the industrial development agency (IDA), all of which were represented at the groundbreaking.

In remarks at the ceremony, Douglas Partrick, Heatherwood's chief executive officer, said, "We at Heatherwood are very pleased that this development has the backing of both the local community and the town. Together, we are bringing a first-tier, luxury multifamily housing option to West

Hempstead which will not only vastly improve the neighborhood, but will also enhance the residents' quality of life in an environmentally responsible, transit-oriented development. On behalf of Heatherwood, I want to extend my thanks and appreciation to our community partners in this effort, including The West Hempstead Community Support Association and Cathedral Gardens Civic Association, as well as to the town of Hempstead, for their hard work and persistence in bringing about a winning solution for everyone.”

Heritage Westminster is a mixed-use transit-oriented development (TOD) that includes residential apartments with work-from-home options and space for retail establishments. The 9.4-acre site will include two buildings with a total of 428 apartment homes. Amenities include indoor/outdoor fitness areas, golf simulator, gaming lounge and bar, and a fully amenitized two-acre landscaped courtyard.

Town supervisor, Donald Clavin, Jr., said, “No one here today needs to be reminded of the checkered history of this site. It has been an underutilized blight on the community for years that has gone through multiple false starts. Now, together, we are going to change all that. This development promises to transform a large, almost 10-acre, site from a chronic eyesore into a beautiful, iconic ‘Gateway to West Hempstead’. This is an excellent example of the public and private sectors working together in good faith. When that happens, many challenges can be overcome, and intractable problems solved.”

Christopher Capece, Heatherwood’s president, said, “Our goals for this development are straight-forward; and, with the cooperation of our partners in government and the local community, we have made great strides towards achieving them. Heatherwood is now in a position to create opportunities for other business owners to collaborate with us in the future. We will transform this blighted site, with its dilapidated building and sea of crumbling asphalt, into a beautiful and prominent ‘Gateway to West Hempstead’. We will bring much-needed luxury multi-family rental housing to Long Island. We will give a shot-in-the-arm to the local economy through job creation at a time when investment is actively leaving the NY region in favor of other growing submarkets. In short, this is what Heritage Westminster and Heatherwood are all about. We believe in community.”

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