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Anthony M. Montalto Joins the Board of Habitat for Humanity New York City

Associate Partner at Jaros, Baum & Bolles brings background in engineering to the major advocacy organization for affordable homeownership in New York City

New York, NY, January 20, 2017 – <u>Habitat for Humanity New York City</u> (Habitat NYC), a major advocate for affordable homeownership in New York City, announced today that Anthony M. Montalto, an Associate Partner at Jaros, Baum & Bolles, has joined the Habitat NYC Board of Directors.

Montalto, a longtime supporter and volunteer with Habitat NYC, has drawn on close relationships to provide exceptional assistance to the organization. Since joining the board of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) NY chapter in 2013 and chairing ASHRAE's committee on Community Sustainability Projects, he has spearheaded organizational partnerships with Habitat NYC, including supervising volunteers, fundraising, and providing advisors on projects, including design reviews, building surveys and energy audits.

In 2014, he led his firm in a joint venture with Habitat NYC to bring their expertise to the Sydney House project, a 57-unit multi-family development in the Bronx that will be the largest development ever built by a Habitat for Humanity affiliate. They have also provided peer review for project design documents and been involved with the design team and Habitat NYC staff to vet projects and provide counsel on potential enhancements.

"Anthony has been an invaluable partner to Habitat NYC through his extensive experience as an innovative engineer and passionate volunteer and group organizer," said Karen Haycox, CEO of Habitat for Humanity New York City. "We are excited to bring his professional expertise and personal passion to our board and continue to advance our mission of providing New Yorkers with a decent, affordable place to live throughout the five boroughs."

"My concentration on the built environment and its interaction with the community is a natural fit with Habitat NYC's work to transform lives and communities by building affordable homes," Montalto said . "Since volunteering with Habitat for Humanity for the first time in high school, I have been committed to the mission of providing hard-working people with a hand up. I am very excited to be a part of this exceptional board and organization in not just building structures, but homes and opportunities for success."

Professionally, Montalto worked on notable projects, including New York Stem Cell Foundation, Brooklyn Health Center, Moynihan Station, and served as Project Manager on award-winning projects such as the Weill Cornell Medical College Belfer Research Building and SUNY College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill.

He is a previous winner of the Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project Award presented by Habitat NYC. He is currently a board member and vice president of ASHRAE and was recently selected as one of ENR New York's 2017 Top Young Professionals.

Mr. Montalto holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the College of Engineering at Villanova University. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of New York and a U.S. Green Building Council LEED Accredited Professional.

About Habitat for Humanity New York City

Habitat for Humanity New York City transforms lives and communities by building and preserving affordable homes with hardworking families—and by uniting all New Yorkers around the cause of affordable housing and homeownership. With the help of thousands of volunteers each year, Habitat NYC builds and repairs homes for families across the five boroughs. Learn more at <u>www.HabitatNYC.org</u> and connect with us on <u>Facebook</u> or follow us on <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u> at @HabitatNYC.

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