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The Mason Williams Awarded LEED® Gold Certification

April 25, 2017 Portland, Oregon -- Rujax III, LLC announced today that The Mason Williams has been awarded LEED® green building certification at the Gold Level. The Mason Williams is a 76-unit mixed-use building at the corner of North Williams Avenue and Mason Street in Portland. Rujax III partnered with LRS Architects to design and Ruben J. Menashe, Inc. as general contractor, to build the progressive close-in urban development, and construction began in the spring of 2013.

The LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) rating system, developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), is the foremost program for buildings, homes and communities that are designed, constructed, maintained and operated for improved environmental and human health performance.

"From the green rooftops that filter storm water down to the low-toxicity recycled-content carpeting, The Mason Williams is easy on the environment. This innovative space helps preserve the Portland of tomorrow while serving your unique, eco-friendly lifestyle today. We are proud to develop buildings that set an example for sustainability." says Jack Menashe of Rujax III, LLC.

The Mason Williams achieved LEED certification for implementing practical and measurable strategies and solutions aimed at achieving high performance in: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality. The building is an urban infill project with an on-site storm water management system which handles 100% of its storm water. The Mason Williams was built using low-flow plumbing fixtures, solar hot water panels, a photovoltaic energy system, and Energy Star® appliances. In addition, the project features electric vehicle charging stations, a high-efficiency automated parking system and parking for more than 100 bicycles.

"Achieving LEED certification is more than implementing sustainable practices. It represents a commitment to making the world a better place and influencing others to do better," said Mahesh Ramanujam, president and CEO, USGBC. "Given the extraordinary importance of climate protection and the central role of the building industry in that effort, Rujax III demonstrates their leadership through their LEED certification of The Mason Williams."

Visit http://themasonwilliams.com/?apartments/green for more detailed information regarding the green building features of The Mason Williams.

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About Rujax III, LLC / rjmenasheinc.com

Rujax I, LLC is a father and son partnership between Ruben and Jack Menashe. Celebrating 55 years of active building and developing in Portland area, the Menashes' have developed over 1000 units of residential housing. The company also builds quality residential communities and commercial buildings through its construction company, Ruben J. Menashe, Inc. Jack R. Menashe has served as company president since 2005.

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