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## 700 CONSTITUTION RECOGNIZED FOR DESIGN EXCELLENCE IN HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE

## AIA Northern Virginia Honors Complex Adaptive Reuse Project with Award of Merit

Reston, VA (June 20, 2018) - At a recent ceremony, 700 Constitution in Washington, DC was honored with an Award of Merit for Historic Architecture by the AIA Northern Virginia Chapter. After sitting vacant for several years, a 1920s-era hospital was converted into a luxury apartment building through a complete roof to basement renovation. Daniel J. Shewbridge, AIA, Principal-in-Charge of the project, accepted the award on behalf of Architecture, Incorporated and the entire project team.

Terry Busby, a Principal of 700 LLC, said of the effort, "Though daunting at times, the expertise of the architects, engineers, contractors, and artisans all contributed to the preservation effort and overcame the challenges unique to this historic structure. The restored building is now a point of pride in the community and contributes to the continued transformation and preservation of the Capitol Hill Historic District."

The building has 139 units with a rooftop deck, outdoor courtyard, fitness center, community room, yoga studio, an e-lounge, package delivery system, among other amenities. While challenging, the building's history gives it some unique qualities like high ceilings, large windows, and natural light.

The AIA Northern Virginia Chapter Design Awards Program was created to recognize and celebrate chapter members' achievements in the design of the built environment. The Design Awards Program honors and celebrates AIA members' commitment to design excellence in various practice groups. As the premier event of the Chapter, the awards program demonstrates to both clients and the public, the availability of local award-winning firms, and individuals dedicated to providing outstanding architectural design and execution.

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