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## **Equity Office Properties holds ground breaking for Tavern in the Square**

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Equity Office, one of the largest commercial property owners in New England, held a ground breaking ceremony for Tavern in the Square recently at New England Executive Park, a 56-acre office campus with 13 buildings totaling 1.1 million s/f. Majority owned and operated by Equity Office for the past ten years, the park hosts more than 75 global companies within the technology, legal, finance and professional service fields. Future plans for the park may also include a possible 250-room full service hotel and a 350,000 s/f Class A build-to-suit office building.

"We are thrilled to break ground and to commence this project at the New England Executive Park. We especially thank the town of Burlington and Equity Office - both of whom were instrumental in helping us make this project come to fruition," said Joey Arcari, founder, Tavern in the Square. "Tavern in the Square prides itself on being an integral part of neighborhoods and communities, which is why we are excited to open our sixth restaurant in the Greater Boston area."

The new Burlington Tavern in the Square will open in April, and will feature an outdoor patio seating area so that patrons can enjoy an al fresco style of dining. The restaurant will seat 300 guests and have a function room that will hold approximately 40 guests.

Shown (from left) are: Sandra Lally, vice president-operations, Equity Office Props.; Kristen Faia, regional director operations, Equity Office Props.; Vicki Keenan, leasing manager, New England Executive Park; Dan DiTucci, vice chairman, Burlington board of selectmen; John Conley, vice president, asset management, Equity Office Props.; Al Fay, former selectmen, Town of Burlington; Bob Mercier, Burlington town administrator; Bob Hogan, Burlington board of selectmen member; Chief Steven Yetman, Burlington Fire Dept.; Stephen DeSousa, partner, Tavern in the Square; Joey Arcari, partner, Tavern in the Square; and Renato Valentim, partner, Tavern in the Square.

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