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CCIM Conn. Chapter and CREW Conn. Chapter hold summer social behind the scenes tour of LAZ HQ

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Shown (from left) are: Stephanie Romano Shaw, CCIM, CT CCIM vice president; Rita Joy, CREW CT programs committee co-chair; Dinora Lopez, Esq., CREW CT president-elect; Eric Amodio, CCIM, CT CCIM president; John Lockhart, CCIM, CT CCIM secretary, and Erin Cabelus, Esq. CREW CT programs committee co-chair.

Hartford, CT The CCIM Connecticut Chapter and CREW Connecticut Chapter held a joint networking and behind the scenes tour at LAZ Parking headquarters at the Gold Building. The event brought together over 75 chapter members, guests and sponsors to network, share their deals, and tour this unique office space.

Attendees had the opportunity to hear from Ted Cutler of Tecton Architects (event sponsor) who spearheaded the LAZ office renovation project along with office furniture supplier Interscape Commercial Environments (event sponsor). Cutler noted that the entire process of designing the unique multi-story office started by learning the company culture and values; literally breaking bread with LAZ founder Alan Lazowski and his family. The resulting office space was designed to mirror the industrial elements found in a parking garage, combined with simple touches of elegance throughout. The concept was to park your car in the adjoining garage, take the elevator into the office building and feel as though you were re-entering a parking garage once the elevator doors opened. The vision was certainly achieved and executed perfectly- even during challenging timelines and supply chain delays during COVID.

CCIM CT chapter president, Eric Amodio, CCIM, and CREW CT chapter president-elect, Dinora Lopez, Esq. were exceptionally pleased with how the event unfolded, with special thanks to the planning committee; Rita Joy, Erin Cabelus, Esq. and Stephanie Romano Shaw, CCIM. The two organizations plan to hold future events together to continue uniting members in the CRE community throughout Connecticut.

The event was co-sponsored by Tecton Architects and Interscape Commercial Environments. Thanks to Salute of Hartford for serving the incredible food and drink. Special thanks to LAZ founder Alan Lazowski for opening up his company's doors and allowing the two chapters to showcase the space.

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