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Market Square Architects and Aesh Design merge

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Portsmouth, NH Market Square Architects, PLLC, a private architecture firm with locations in N.H. and Austin, TX and Aesh Design Architects, a firm located in St. Louis and Nashville, have completed their merger, creating an industry leader in architecture and design. The combined company will operate as Market Square Architects (MSA), and will be led by Adam Wagner, AIA and Robert Harbeson, AIA.

Founded in 2016, by Wagner and Harbeson, Market Square Architects is a full-service architecture and interiors design firm.

The firm specializes in multi-family housing, senior living, industrial, education, healthcare, custom residential, and retail. MSA is committed to serving their clients through collaborative efforts to achieve project goals. The approach has helped the firm build a loyal client base and fueled tremendous growth over the past six years including back-to-back Inc. 5000 awards in 2021 and 2022.

Adding the team from Aesh Design to the MSA team creates a partnership that will help the company remain diverse through a wealth of project experience. The merger will increase the ability to serve clients' needs, broaden the portfolio and expand the organization's national footprint. Aesh currently operates out of St. Louis, Missouri but was founded in Nashville, Tennessee. The firm has established a presence in the Mid-West with projects spanning multi-family, mixed-use, custom single-family and retail sectors. The newly merged firm will remain headquartered in Portsmouth, New Hampshire while working collaboratively across offices in Austin and St. Louis.

"Our relationship with Patrick Weber of Aesh Design is strong from years of knowing each other professionally and working together on several collaborations over the last two years. We are looking forward to now working together as a single entity." said Mr. Wagner. "Patrick brings 20 years of skill and experience to the table, as well as a talented team of project managers and coordinators. We are confident that the combined team will be greater than a sum of its parts."

The St. Louis location will operate as Aesh Design, a Division of Market Square Architects, PLLC and Patrick Weber, AIA will join as the newest Director in the company. "I have been looking to grow Aesh (Designs) here in St. Louis and Nashville and believe this merger will allow us to do so. When Adam and Rob reached out, it was perfect timing. MSA's has an impressive portfolio, business approach and client list; we are excited to be joining them," said Patrick, "Our office is going to continue using our strengths and doing what we love, while leveraging the collective strengths and

capabilities of a 40-person firm.”

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