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Chapman Construction Celebrates 40 Years of Sustainable Building

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Newton, MA Chapman Construction, a construction management company specializing in high-performance building, has reached a milestone of 40 years in business. Under the current leadership of CEO Jack Hall, the company will continue to develop and advance the mission begun by his father, John Hall, who founded Chapman in 1984.

Chapman has been known for its approach to green building and for pushing to achieve the next level of sustainability in construction. Under John's leadership, Chapman became one of the foremost general contractors of LEED-certified buildings when the national standard for sustainability was implemented. In addition, it transferred that interest to its employees, instituting various programs that provided incentives for training and making more environmentally-responsible decisions.

And now, the company is pursuing a new environmental milestone under Jack's leadership: to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030, a commitment that made Chapman the first construction manager to commit to carbon neutrality in New England when announced in 2022. Thanks to work stemming from long-term relationships with repeat customers, John Hall notes the company has been able to remain purposeful in its mission and the types of projects it takes on.

"We don't chase projects - we chase partnerships," said John Hall. "And within those partnerships, we've strived to introduce sustainable features that make green building more approachable and affordable on every project we pursue. Environmental standards in the built environment are always evolving, and our teams are committed to pushing our performance to new levels to benefit our clients and the future of our planet."

As CEO Jack Hall notes, the focus on the next era of green construction has as much to do with advancing the company's mission as it does with building the future workforce. Much of the work the company is already doing and its long-range push to carbon neutrality resonates with the next generation of workers coming out of local colleges and universities.

"Our carbon neutrality goals are important not just for the environmental impact but also in attracting new clients and employees," said Jack Hall. "The next generation of workers places a high value on sustainability and pushing the envelope to do more. For Chapman, we already have our sights set

on the next level of green construction, utilizing tactics like embodied carbon budgets to improve building performance. We're still Chapman, just with a steady focus on constant improvement.”

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