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Nauset Construction completes 49-unit apartment community at Fresh Pond

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Cambridge, MA Nauset Construction has completed 605 Concord at Fresh Pond, a mixed-use transit-oriented development comprised of 49 apartment units and 2,500 s/f of street-level retail space for developer Acorn Holdings LLC. Located near Alewife Station, Fresh Pond Park, and Danehy Field, the community offers immediate access to public transit, green space, and retail amenities, including Alewife Brook Parkway Shopping Center and Fresh Pond Mall. 605 Concord at Fresh Pond exemplifies modern urban living in a highly walkable, amenity-rich environment.

“The Fresh Pond neighborhood has proven to be an ideal solution for those seeking the essential cornerstones of urban living – walkability, proximity to public transit, amenities, and access to ample greenspace – as evidenced by the success of our previous Fresh Pond developments, Park 77, Park 87 and 603 Concord,” said Phil Terzis, vice president of development at Acorn Holdings. “With

605 Concord, we continue to deliver thoughtfully designed, well-located residential communities that meet the evolving needs of today's renters and add long-term value to the neighborhood.”

Designed by Piatt Associates, the six-story, 69,000 s/f building offers a mix of studio, one-, two-, and three-bedroom pet-friendly apartments, ranging from 419 to 1,238 s/f, with 15% designated as affordable. Many units feature balconies or rooftop terraces with views of Fresh Pond Park and the reservoir. Ground floor amenities include a fireplace lounge with modern furnishings, free bicycle storage, and a continuous 12 ft. high glass storefront that activates the street edge and enhances pedestrian engagement throughout the day.

605 Concord at Fresh Pond was constructed with a focus on sustainability. The building envelope exceeds energy code requirements and integrates high-efficiency heating, cooling, and fresh-air intake systems. The roof deck offers city views and green roof plantings and is designed to accommodate solar panels. Plumbing fixtures meet low-use water standards, and all appliances are Energy Star certified.

The community also offers a free resident shuttle to Alewife Station on the Red Line, improving transit connectivity.

The completion of 605 Concord continues a long-standing multifamily development partnership between Acorn Holdings and Nauset Construction. Over the past decade and a half, the team has delivered several Cambridge-area projects, including St. James Place, a 46-unit mixed-use condominium development that preserved the historic St. James Episcopal Church in Porter Square; 7 Cameron, a 37-unit apartment community in Porter Square; and Park 77, a 93-unit apartment community located between Neighborhood Nine and Fresh Pond.

Nauset has constructed dozens of multifamily communities across Cambridge and Greater Boston, all on tight urban sites. The firm's portfolio also includes retail, hospitality, senior living, education, medical, industrial, and historic renovation projects, reflecting its depth of urban experience in a mix of construction types.

“Collaborating with Acorn Holdings and Piatt Associates – teams we know well – and drawing on our deep experience with urban infill construction in Cambridge, allowed us to navigate site constraints and deliver this project efficiently,” said Anthony Papantonis, president of Nauset Construction. “We value these long-standing partnerships and look forward to building more transformative communities together.”

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