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## CAPITOL RIVERFRONT NEIGHBORHOOD CELEBRATES OPENING DAY WITH NEW RESIDENTIAL, DINING, AND RETAIL

*12<sup>th</sup> season of baseball at Nationals Park begins for sports fans and  
over 10,000 residents in vibrant mixed-use community*

(Washington, DC—For Immediate Release – March 21, 2019) The momentum continues in the Capitol Riverfront neighborhood, Washington, DC’s fastest-growing community, with an increased variety of dining, retail, and residential options as a new season at the neighborhood’s second professional sports venue launches with the Washington Nationals taking on NL East division rival New York Mets on Thursday, March 28.

Already an established mixed-use urban riverfront neighborhood, the former industrial backyard surpassed 10,000 residents this year and expects to reach 14,000 by year’s end, with an uptick in condo availability a hallmark. The Bower, developed by PN Hoffman, is 75% sold out, joining three existing condo buildings in the neighborhood, while there are three more condo buildings on the immediate horizon in Capitol Riverfront: Avidian, Peninsula 88, and eNvy. Rounding out the submarket are recently-delivered office buildings 99M and DC Water headquarters, under-construction 250M and NAB Headquarters at One M, and under-construction Thompson D.C. boutique hotel—delivering in 2020.

Since Opening Day 2018, Capitol Riverfront has welcomed eight new restaurants, from mid-summer arrivals Mission and Wiseguy Pizza, to recent additions Circa and El Bebe just weeks ago. During the offseason, the neighborhood also welcomed additional retail, including its second grocery store with the opening of Whole Foods. Six more restaurants are expected to open by the end of this baseball season including Dacha Beer Garden’s second location just steps away from the First Base gate.

“Capitol Riverfront’s ongoing evolution will be immediately apparent to baseball fans as we welcome them into our exciting urban waterfront community this season,” said Michael Stevens, Capitol Riverfront BID president. “Nationals Park sparked growth and served as a neighborhood anchor for several years. That progress continues with the Anacostia River connecting our neighborhood throughout and shining a light on the city’s hottest destination, with equally robust commercial and residential development.”

Immediately apparent to those meandering down Half Street to the stadium’s Center Field Gate, mixed-use residential developments by Jair Lynch and JBG Smith flank Half Street at N Street

SE. Condo building eNvy expects to start sales of its 430 condo units this spring, while JBG's West Half plans to start leasing its 465 apartments in the summer.

The neighborhood has an abundance of entertainment for fans beyond cheering on the Nationals or D.C. United at Audi Field in Buzzard Point. Options include a slate of outdoor concerts, ten outdoor movies, daily complimentary fitness classes, weekly farmers markets, and an array of outdoor festivals this spring and summer, underscoring the neighborhood's consistently vibrant atmosphere.

Of course, the essence of the neighborhood is the Anacostia River, drawing people with its access, beauty and recreational opportunities, and connecting them via the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail. The Capitol Riverfront community embraces the parks and outdoor attractions that surround the ballpark with easy access to the Anacostia River. Recreational activity is abundant, with both residents and visitors alike participating in activities such as boating and kayaking.

### **About Capitol Riverfront**

Capitol Riverfront is a 500-acre neighborhood situated between I-395 and the Anacostia River smartly designed to give businesses, residents, and guests an exciting environment to explore, connect, and thrive. New restaurants, retail, hotels, residences, and office spaces are opening every month in the Capitol Riverfront, DC's fastest growing neighborhood. There is always something new to discover in DC's largest and most dynamic waterfront community. For more information, visit [capitolriverfront.org](http://capitolriverfront.org).

To learn more about Capitol Riverfront's progress, find the [2018 Annual Report here](#)