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Orchard Commercial & Orchard Partners Thrive 50 Years After Orchard Properties Was Founded

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SILICON VALLEY, CA (November 6, 2023) — Santa Clara-based Orchard Commercial has done very well since Joe and Elizabeth Lewis acquired the company in 2000 from developer David J. Brown, who founded Orchard Properties in 1973 and built nearly 7 million square feet in north San Jose and greater Silicon Valley. The company recently celebrated its 50th Anniversary with many of its closest clients, brokers and friends, including San Jose mayor Matt Mahan, who delivered a Commendation citing Orchard Commercial and Orchard Partners' influence in Silicon Valley and the Bay Area.

Orchard Partners, led by Mike Biggar and Tyler Higgins, shared the spotlight, having firmly established the company as developers and operators alongside major institutional investors, with offices in Mountain View and Lafayette. Since 2006, Orchard Partners has acquired or developed 3.2 million square feet of office, R&D and industrial property in Silicon Valley. Orchard Partners and Orchard Commercial operate independently and frequently support each other while in pursuit of excellence for their clients and stakeholders.

Orchard Commercial's local expertise in real estate accounting and property and asset management has proved invaluable to its institutional and private clients. The company is responsible for an 11 million square foot portfolio of Office, R&D and Industrial buildings throughout Northern California from San Francisco and Oakland to San Jose, Dublin, and Sacramento.

At the 50th Anniversary Celebration held recently at Orchard Commercial's corporate office in Santa Clara, principals of each firm spoke of the early days of Silicon Valley and the trail blazed by Orchard Properties and David Brown, paying homage to his legacy. Orchard Commercial owner Elizabeth Lewis spoke

warmly of her late husband Joe, a pillar in the industry and revered by all who knew him and said, "Joe's constant reminder that "it's going to be Great" remains the company mantra along with its closely- held values to always do the right thing." Byron Renfro recounted how Dave Brown made a point of giving back to the community, a tradition that continued today through the Orchard Commercial Foundation and through Orchard Commercial employee contributions to local non-profits, matched by Orchard Commercial. Mike Biggar expressed sincere thanks to everyone who has helped Orchard Partners achieve its success over the years and emphasized the complementary relationship that benefit both firms.

The common theme for many of the attendees of the 50th event centered on the high quality and caliber of people associated with Orchard and the impact made on the community at large. A refrain heard several times during the evening was: "Everyone who I have ever worked with at Orchard has done an excellent job and been great to work with". The principals and employees of both firms have made a meaningful contribution on the evolution of Silicon Valley as we know it today. What a great way to celebrate a golden anniversary."

About Orchard Partners

Orchard Partners formed at the beginning of 2007 to continue the investment and development activities of Orchard Properties—a real estate organization well known throughout the Bay Area for over 50 years. The Company focuses on core and value-add investment opportunities, and specializes in industrial, R&D, and office properties throughout the Western United States. Since its inception, Orchard Partners has acquired over $1 billion of industrial, R&D, and office properties in the Bay Area, Seattle, southern California, and the Midwest.

About Orchard Commercial

Orchard Commercial Inc. formed in 2000, when Joe and Elizabeth Lewis purchased the real estate services group from Dave Brown's Orchard Properties. Since then, Orchard Commercial has expanded to manage and service over 11 million square feet of institutional and privately owned property throughout the San Francisco Bay area. Orchard Commercial employs local experts based in Santa Clara to provide property, asset and construction management, accounting, due diligence, facilities, leasing and sales services.