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THE LEGACY PROJECT BEGINS, THE VILLAGE AT HARMONY HILL

One-of-a-kind intergenerational indoor/outdoor community where all are welcome!

Watertown, SD October 21, 2021 - The Sisters of Mother of God Monastery and the Board of Directors of The Village of Harmony Hill are excited to announce Harmony Hill Watertown, our *Legacy Project*. The mission of the project is to provide a unique, transformative experience of community life for seniors, veterans, students, and families. It is our hope this one-of-a-kind intergenerational campus will be a place where all are welcome to enjoy the expansive parks, gardens, walking and biking trails on the 480+ acre campus. With over 180 acres of residential development, you'll surely find a place to call home! The varied 700+ resident opportunities will include student housing, apartments, condominiums, twin-homes, and single-family residences.

"We find ourselves in our sunset years, mostly retired and with dwindling human resources to go out and minister." Said Sister Barb Younger of Mother of God Monastery. "But we are still very capable of pushing the envelope and dreaming big! We have made the decision to further our legacy into something generative beyond our years on earth."

In addition to The Village, Harmony Hill will be home to some very distinctive attractions found nowhere else in Watertown or even the State of South Dakota. The "Hill" will be home to the Challenger Learning Center of South Dakota, a NASA experience offering one-of-a-kind, hands-on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) learning opportunities. The unique curriculum is designed for K-12 students and the facility will also support business and community activities.

Adjacent to the Challenger, will be the installation of the MARK II Voyager scaled solar system. This educational model includes 13 learning points across 25-acres of preserved virgin prairie. "There will only be 100 of these installations in the world! That's pretty amazing and it's going to be right here in our community!" commented Sister Barb.

Conversations are on-going regarding a partnership with SD Game, Fish and Parks to create an all-season outdoor classroom that focuses on wildlife conservation, and the activities of outdoor life that brings families together and inspires tourists to visit, fish, hunt, and camp in the great outdoors of South Dakota! More details to come as things progress and this partnership develops.

Priorities Sister Terri commented, "This is just the beginning, so please join us October 27th at 2:00pm at our groundbreaking for a huge partnership announcement! We are developing a community for all, where learning, living, and growing together happens naturally."

The Village, offering 48 assisted living apartments (one- and two-bedroom options) and 16 memory care units, plans to be open January 2023 with the Commons, other amenities, and residential development on-going. To learn more about the Harmony Hill Project, please contact CDO Jennifer Quail 605-882-6647, design@watertownbenedictines.org or www.harmonyhillwatertown.com or The Village at www.villagewatertown.org.