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Greenwich Historical Society's Landmark Recognition Program to Plaque Four Distinctive Properties and Present Two Preservation Awards

**Greenwich Native Anthony Malkin to Present Keynote
on the Restoration of the Empire State Building**

March 13, 2018, COS COB, CT--Greenwich Historical Society's Landmark Recognition Program, an annual initiative that recognizes historic properties reflecting Greenwich's unique architectural heritage, will celebrate the plaquing and documentation of four structures for their value in preserving Greenwich's legacy at a reception on Sunday, April 29. The properties include Second Congregational Church and three private residences: a dazzling mid-century contemporary home, a distinctive Tudor and a chateau worthy of French royalty that is one of Greenwich's Great Estates. In addition, the Historical Society will present two Preservation Awards as part of a related program that recognizes individuals, organizations or projects for their contributions to the preservation of Greenwich's historical resources.

Anthony E. Malkin, chairman and CEO of Empire State Realty Trust, will deliver a presentation on the \$500+ million restoration of the Empire State Building, which Mr. Malkin's real estate investment trust owns and manages. His talk, "The Empire State Building: Preserving and Making History at the Same Time," will chronicle how this iconic symbol of New York's grandeur was transformed back to its 1930s Art Deco luster, with a special focus on the building's majestic lobby -- one of the few interiors in New York to be designated a National Historic Landmark. Under Mr. Malkin's leadership, the restored and revitalized skyscraper is now a state-of-the-art property and leader in energy efficiency and sustainability, with some of the most expensive and sought-after office space in Manhattan.

"It is an honor to have Anthony Malkin deliver the keynote on the restoration of one of America's most cherished landmarks -- a building that has literally defined New York's greatness since it was built 87 years ago," says Debra Mecky, executive director of the Greenwich Historical Society. "Our audience will be enthralled to hear about the challenges involved in transforming the building and lobby to its original splendor after years of deterioration. Anthony's Greenwich roots will make it especially meaningful to our local audience."

Emma Pennington and Beth Taylor are the program co-chairs. The 2018 Landmarks Selection Committee includes Chairman Nancy Ramer, John Dixon, Rose Scott Long, Jack Morris and Amanda Martocchio. Ex officio Selection Committee members include Davide Strackbein, chairman of the Historical Society, Debra Mecky and Christopher Shields, the Historical Society's Curator of Library and Archives. ChiChi Ubiña contributed the photography.

Greenwich Historical Society gratefully acknowledges program sponsors Charles Hilton Architects, David Ogilvy & Associates and Fairfield County Look.

A champagne reception will precede the program.

31st Annual Landmarks Recognition Program

Sunday, April 29, 2018

4:00 to 6:00 pm

Greenwich Country Club

\$75-\$500

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About the Greenwich Historical Society

Greenwich Historical Society collects, preserves and interprets the history of Greenwich to build a stronger community connected to our past and each other. Founded in 1931, the Historical Society operates a nationally accredited museum, library and archives and is home to the National Historic Landmark Bush-Holley House, which was the site of Connecticut's first influential American Impressionist art colony from 1890 to 1920. Greenwich Historical Society educates thousands of school children annually and connects visitors to the history of this vibrant, globally influential community through rotating exhibitions, engaging lectures, stimulating events and fun family programs. The

organization receives no town funding and relies on private donations and grants to continue its work. The Historical Society has embarked on a major capital campaign to advance its mission and secure its future at the forefront of America's historical institutions. A dynamic campus transformation is underway that will accommodate more visitors, expanded program initiatives and an increased endowment. The newly imagined campus will be completed in fall 2018. Learn more at greenwichhistory.org.

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A North Street home modeled on Versailles' Petit Trianon is one of the four distinctive properties being recognized on April 29 at the Greenwich Historical Society's Landmark Recognition Program. Photo credit: ChiChi Ubina.



This mid-century contemporary home is one of the four distinctive properties being recognized on April 29 at the Greenwich Historical Society's Landmark Recognition Program. Photo credit: ChiChi Ubina.



Greenwich native Anthony Malkin, chairman and CEO of Empire State Realty Trust, will deliver a presentation at the Greenwich Historical Society's April 29 Landmark Recognition Program on the \$500+ million restoration of the Empire State Building, which Mr. Malkin's real estate investment trust owns and manages.

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