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## Kite Riddle Holdings Announces Renovation Plans for Historic Building Site Downtown Versailles, KY

Versailles, KY, February 13, 2018 – Co-Owners Jordan Kite and Alex Riddle of Kite Riddle Holdings announce their acquisition and planned renovation of a three-building parcel in downtown Versailles, KY - located on the North-West corner of Court Street Square.

Previously owned by the Versailles United Methodist Church, these iconic white-washed buildings, along with the towering steeple of the sanctuary, are an unmistakable landmark in the landscape of Versailles dating back to 1830.

"These buildings meant so much to so many people; to find out Jordan and Alex [of Kite Riddle Holdings] are local and they intend to maintain the exterior and the steeple, it was a sigh of relief," says Senior Pastor Rev. Tim Thompson of VUMC. "The group at Kite Riddle Holdings is truly committed to the revitalization of downtown and the overall community in Woodford County – it was reassurance we'd found the right fit with this group."

VUMC moved from the Court Street site late last year to accommodate their growing congregation and held the first service in their new Lexington Road building November 5, 2017. Pastor Thompson added, "It's been a long time coming. We've been seeking the Lord's will for about 20 years to help us relocate. It's been a blessing to finally see our vision fulfilled in our new larger space where our children, youth, and adults can all be together in a single building."

Over the next several months the properties will undergo renovations to convert the nearly 24,000 sq.ft. complex into mixeduse commercial space, re-opening as "Steeplechase Centre" later this year. Designed with all generations of Kentuckians in mind, the project will provide much-needed downtown retail, restaurant, meeting, and office space. For more information: www.steeplechasecentre.com and follow @steeplechasecentre on Instagram and Facebook.

"Our goal is to fuse the historic integrity of these buildings with thoughtful renovations to create modern spaces that will draw a vibrant community back to downtown for generations to come. The Riddle's appreciation for historic buildings and their revitalization efforts in downtown Versailles was exactly what we were looking for in this project", says Kite of the partnership. Riddle is certainly not new to revitalization efforts in Woodford County. Alex and his wife Emily Schmidt Riddle are the brains behind The Amsden, a newly renovated property on the South-East corner of Court Street Square in Downtown Versailles.

"We were infatuated with the history and character of the building and just loved the small town downtown charm. Our hope is that this building will be an anchor to the revitalization of downtown Versailles", says Emily on her popular blog Gathered Lifestyle.

Steeplechase Centre will be designed by local architect Rebecca Burnworth of Burnworth Design. Her outstanding portfolio of reimagined spaces, including The Amsden in Versailles, Parlay Social, Enoteca, and Goodfella's Pizza in Lexington, fit seamlessly into the vision for the complex. For more information about Burnworth Design www.burnworthdesignlex.com

Jordan presently lives in Charleston, SC with his fiancé Jessica Pantatello, but they plan to move back home to Kentucky in early 2018. "While we love living in Charleston, the opportunity in Versailles will bring us back to the Bluegrass", says Jessica. "We've found great partners in Alex and Emily [Riddle], who share an appreciation for breathing new life into iconic spaces."

## Steeplechase Centre is excited to announce its first two tenants at the property:

The Galerie, a historic event venue, will be leasing space in Building A. Bookings are open now for events scheduled beginning early Fall 2018. The Galerie will offer multiple spaces for weddings, private parties, and corporate events. www.thegalerieky.com and @thegalerieky on Instagram and Facebook.

Rolling Oven Pizza and Taproom announced today that they will be the first food and beverage tenant in the complex. The wood-fired pizza and craft beer restaurant based in Lexington is expanding to Building B of Steeplechase Centre. Visit www.rollingoven.com and @rollingoven on Instagram and Facebook.

The Galerie booking information and availability visit www.thegalerieky.com Follow: @thegalerieky on Instagram and Facebook.

Steeplechase Centre is leasing now; for information, availability and renovation progress visit www.steeplechasecentre.com Follow: @steeplechasecentre on Instagram and Facebook.

Kite Riddle Holdings is founded and co-owned by Jordan Kite and Alex Riddle. Jordan served two tours of duty as a United States Marine in Afghanistan, and now works as a computer programmer. Alex, who has been an integral part of the revitalization of Woodford County, sits on the board of Woodford Forward and is an active participant in the city planning efforts in downtown Versailles. The two grew up playing football at Lexington Christian Academy and look forward to supporting the growth and revitalization of Downtown Versailles and Kentucky.



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