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**COMMUNITY, LABOR & BUSINESS LEADERS JOIN TOGETHER
TO LAUNCH REVITALIZE SPARROWS POINT COALITION**

**Former Baltimore County Executive Ted Venetoulis Chairs
Effort To Support Public-Private Partnership to Build Infrastructure**

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MD (October 4, 2018) – Today, Revitalize Sparrows Point launched a campaign to support a public-private partnership between Baltimore County and Tradepoint Atlantic to build roads, water and sewer infrastructure on the former Bethlehem Steel mill site.

The coalition’s charter membership includes three dozen community, labor and business organizations from across Baltimore County and the region – ranging from the Turners Station Conservation Team and Essex-Middle River Civic Council to the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 24 and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 37 to the Chesapeake Chamber of Commerce and Greater Baltimore Committee to local businesses, including Pizza Roma and Creative Print Group.

“The redevelopment of Sparrows Point is a once in a generation opportunity to restore eastern Baltimore County as an economic engine for our state,” said former Baltimore County Executive Ted Venetoulis, who is the volunteer Chair of Revitalize Sparrows Point, and was a member of the Sparrows Point Partnership, appointed by the late County Executive Kevin Kamenetz to plan the redevelopment of the former steel mill.

“Like so many others in the region, I worked at the Point as a young man,” Venetoulis continued. “The hundred year-old roads and infrastructure on the site – if it even exists anymore – will not attract new, clean industries. Working with Tradepoint Atlantic, Baltimore County can take the lead transforming this iconic site into one of the most preeminent industrial and logistics center in the world, while in the process create almost 20,000 new jobs and change the economic course of the entire region for the better.”

Tradepoint Atlantic projects that redeveloping the 3,250-acre site will require seven new public roads, four miles of public sanitary sewer mains and six miles of public water mains. New infrastructure will allow Tradepoint Atlantic to recruit additional manufacturing, distribution and maritime employers as it completes a \$50 million environmental cleanup of the site – diversifying the region’s economy.

Revitalize Sparrows Point will engage in a grassroots campaign to support Baltimore County elected officials in partnering with Tradepoint Atlantic. The current members of Revitalize Sparrows Point – which will continue to grow – include:

Community Organizations

Edgemere Sparrows Point Rec Council
Essex-Middle River Civic Council
North Point Peninsula Civic Council
North Point Village Civic Association
Turners Station Conservation Team, Inc.
Wells McComas Citizens Improvement Association

Business Organizations

Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce
Chesapeake Gateway Chamber of Commerce
Dundalk Chamber of Commerce
Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore
Greater Baltimore Committee
Millers Island-Edgemere Business Association

Labor Organizations

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, International
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 24
International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 37

Nonprofit Groups

Business Network for Offshore Wind
Dundalk Renaissance Corporation
Eastside Community Development Corporation

Businesses

Advance Scale
Akehurst Landscaping
BayVanguard Bank
Chick-Fil-A Eastpoint
Creative Print Group
Drug City Pharmacy
Ellin & Tucker
The Freezing Point
Gray & Son
Hobs Carroll Fuel
Insurance Claims Specialists
MCM Management
Morris & Ritchie
North American Millwright
Pizza Roma



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