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**Tom and Toby Bozzuto Named Baltimore Museum of Industry's 2016 Industrialists of the Year**

**Baltimore, Maryland** – Tom and Toby Bozzuto will be presented with the 2016 William Donald Schaefer Industrialist of the Year Award from the Baltimore Museum of Industry at a luncheon on Thursday, June 2, 2016.

South Baltimore is experiencing unprecedented growth, and the Baltimore Museum of Industry is privileged to have a front row seat to the exciting changes taking place in our neighborhood such as the forthcoming Anthem House development located just a block from the museum. With this urban renaissance in mind, the museum is pleased to award this honor to the Bozzutos. As leaders of one of Maryland's foremost real estate development and construction firms, this dynamic father and son team exemplify the commitment to economic innovation and community well-being that the Industrialist of the Year honor was established to recognize.

Since cofounding The Bozzuto Group in 1988, Thomas S. Bozzuto has developed or built more than 60,000 homes and apartments with an estimated value of \$14 billion. Under Tom's leadership, The Bozzuto Group has been recognized as Builder of the Year, Multifamily Development Firm of the Year, and Property Management Company of the Year by the National Association of Home Builders. President & CEO Thomas "Toby" S. Bozzuto, Jr. joined The Bozzuto Group in 2001 and is today responsible for providing the family-owned company with strategic as well as day-to-day leadership. Working together, Tom and Toby have successfully led dozens of projects that have added new vibrancy to neighborhoods throughout Baltimore. Like The Bozzuto Group itself, both men are also heavily involved in the city's philanthropic community and committed to public service – Tom currently serves on the boards of the Walters Art Museum, the Baltimore Community Foundation, and the Greater Baltimore Committee, and was previously a Congressional Appointee on the Millennial Housing Commission; Toby is active on the boards of the Kennedy Krieger Institute and the Gilman School, and held a seat for five years on the Maryland Health & Higher Education Facilities Authority. On the occasion of their selection as the 2016 Industrialists of the Year, Tom and Toby had this to say:

*"We're honored to have been chosen as Industrialists of the Year by the Baltimore Museum of Industry. Over the past thirty years, The Bozzuto Group has worked hard to create extraordinary experiences of home and community for our residents around the country....Being recognized by this Baltimore institution means the world to us. As we continue on our quest to deliver on our core philosophy—that*

*everyone deserves their very own sanctuary—we look forward to serving the Baltimore community for years to come.”*

Sponsors for the event include: Bozzuto Group, Cohn Reznick, M&T Bank, 1st Mariner, BCT Architects, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Boehler Engineering, Brown Craig Turner, Carpet & Wood Floor Liquidations, Cho Benn Holback & Associates, Davis, Carter, Scott Ltd., Gutierrez Studios, Heffner, Marks, Thomas Architects, RCM&D, Residential Commercial, Weinberg Harris & Associates, Ziger/Snead, Atapco Properties, Fox 45, Gallagher Evelius & Jones LLP, Hord Coplan Macht, Ober Kaler, Whiting Turner Contracting Company, Baltimore Business Journal, BGE, Columbia National Real Estate Finance, Cordish Family Foundation, Ellin & Tucker, Gable, Greenberg Gibbons, Maryland Department of Commerce P. Flanigan & Sons, Inc., Rosemore, Inc., WYPR.

The Industrialist of the Year award was introduced in 2004 to recognize and celebrate Maryland’s visionary business leaders distinguished by their innovative approaches to industry and dedication to the well-being of their communities. The award is presented at a business networking luncheon each spring at the Baltimore Museum of Industry and raises funds in support of the BMI’s educational programs. Each year, the museum’s hands-on programs serve 80,000 school visitors and enhance the state curriculum standards in social studies, language arts, math and science.

For event information, sponsorship opportunities or to purchase tables visit [www.thebmi.org](http://www.thebmi.org) or contact Penelope Fallon 410-727-4808 ext. 129 or [pfallon@thebmi.org](mailto:pfallon@thebmi.org).

#### ABOUT THE BMI:

The Baltimore Museum of Industry collects, preserves, and interprets the industrial and technological heritage of the Baltimore region for the public by presenting educational programs and exhibitions that explore the stories of Maryland’s industries and the people who created and worked in them.

#### VISITOR INFORMATION:

The Baltimore Museum of Industry is located at 1415 Key Highway, Inner Harbor South, Baltimore, MD 21230. The BMI is open Tuesday – Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., and closed Mondays and certain holidays. Free on-site parking is available. Admission prices, general museum information and directions can be found at [www.thebmi.org](http://www.thebmi.org). Follow us on Facebook at [BaltimoreMuseumofIndustry](https://www.facebook.com/BaltimoreMuseumofIndustry) and on Twitter at @BMIatWork.

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