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**David Kamp recognized for service to the community receives
New York State Assembly Certificate of Merit**

(New York, NY) - David Kamp, FASLA, LF, NA and President of Dirtworks Landscape Architecture, PC received the New York State Assembly Certificate of Merit in recognition of his design of the therapeutic garden at Hearthstone Alzheimer Residence in Palisades, New York.

The therapeutic garden, a pro-bono project by David Kamp has been a much anticipated addition to the residence, which provides specialized care and activities to adults diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or other forms of cognitive challenges. David worked in consultation with Dr. John Zeisel, President and co-founder of Hearthstone Alzheimer Care, Ltd. Dr. Zeisel is an author of numerous books and articles on the importance of improving the quality of life for people with Alzheimer's disease through non-pharmacologic intervention.

“The therapeutic garden is a dream come true and will live on for ages. It has uplifted the beauty of the surroundings and will provide a peaceful location surrounded by flowers and perennials for barbeques, family events, and other programs,” according to the Garden Committee made up of Hearthstone residents.

The award was presented at the official ribbon-cutting ceremony commemorating the opening of the residence's new therapeutic garden. David Kamp remarked, “It has been a wonderful collaboration. John [Zeisel] and I share many interests and joys. One of these is the connection between nature and human nature... The garden allows each individual to engage with nature in their own way, on their own terms and at their own pace.” The connection between nature and human nature has been the underpinning of Dirtworks' projects since its inception. That nature is essential for human health and well-being.

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About Dirtworks, PC

Dirtworks, PC (www.dirtworks.us) is an internationally recognized and award-winning landscape architecture firm. Its designs enhance the restorative quality of the natural environment. The firm, founded in 1995 by David Kamp, FASLA, LF, NA, provides clients with the creativity and technical knowledge essential to project design and site planning. Dirtworks, PC provides a full range of professional services with a staff of technically trained and design-oriented landscape architects.

About Hearthstone Alzheimer Care

Since 1992, Hearthstone Alzheimer Care (<http://www.esplanadeatpalisades.com/>) in Palisades, NY, has specialized in providing a high quality of life for people living with cognitive challenges, including Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. Our unique coordinated “I'm Still Here” approach to care combines with our award-winning design and staff training to provide people living with Alzheimer's an opportunity to flourish.