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**Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna’s first subdivision receives bond bill financing**

*State Senator Bob Cassilly visits the build site; first of the seven homes is dedicated*

BEL AIR, MD (May 8, 2019) – Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna celebrated the dedication of its 109th home with speeches, cake and a tour of Kathryn Bordone’s new house on Freedom Lane in Havre de Grace. The single-family home is part of a larger capital project, Habitat Susquehanna’s first subdivision. Plans for the Havre de Grace lot bordering Freedom, Revolution and Stokes Streets will also include six duplex units. Kathryn’s house celebration was made extra special with the announcement that Habitat Susquehanna’s request for funding for this seven-homes subdivision was approved for $100K by the State of Maryland (of the original $175K requested through a bond bill).

Maryland State Senator Bob Cassilly, who introduced the bond bill (a separate bill was introduced by Delegate Lisanti, and co-sponsored by Delegates McComas and Johnson), toured Kathryn’s house and visited the lot where construction of two of the six duplex units has already begun. Those two homes were the focus of Women Build Week activities the first full week of May during which eleven teams made up of individuals and businesses raised funds for the homes and volunteered one day each at the build site. (*Women Build Week is an annual, national event encouraging women construction volunteers to unite in helping to build up their communities. The homebuyers for the two designated Women Build houses are single mothers.)*

Fundraising for the subdivision – dubbed the “Revolutionary Homeownership” project – is ongoing. To date, sponsors have included APGFCU, Bank of America, Bob Ward Companies, Harford County Government, Harford Mutual, Maryland Affordable Housing Trust, Rosedale Federal Savings & Loan Association, Saint Margaret Parish - Bel Air, the City of Havre de Grace, Community Legacy Program, the State of Maryland (bond bill) and Wells Fargo.

Businesses interested in being a major house sponsor for the “Revolutionary Homeownership” project can contact Megan Lally, Director of Development, at mlally@habitatsusq.org or call 410-638-4434 ext. 7240.

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**About Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna, Inc.**

Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna, Inc. is an ecumenical Christian housing organization devoted to building, renovating and repairing houses in partnership with the community in Harford and Cecil counties. Since Habitat Susquehanna’s inception in 1993, we have built or rehabbed 108 homes, supported 90+ builds abroad, made more than 500 repairs for 400+ families, and served 500+ people through financial counseling. We have lifted more than 1,000 families and impacted well over 2,500 people! We are the experts in meeting the housing needs of low-income families in our area. For more information, call 410-638-4434 (Harford County) or 410-398-3399 (Cecil County) or visit www.habitatsusq.org.