## **PRESS RELEASE**

## **OakWood announces Green Canada Project**

OTTAWA – MARCH 2020 – OakWood Design & Build is supporting Tree Canada, the leading national tree planting charity in Canada, with the OakWood Green Canada Project. Through this initiative, OakWood will commit to the planting of one tree by Tree Canada for every \$10,000 invested in a residential or commercial project.

Through the OakWood Green Canada Project, OakWood will support the planting of seedlings by Tree Canada in regions across Canada. Priority is given to planting on public or First Nation reserve lands, planting in area of natural or human caused disasters and performing 1, 2, and 5 year assessments as part of Tree Canada's National Greening Program.

The OakWood Green Canada Project and a commitment to plant with Tree Canada reflects a decision by OakWood to do more for the environment. "Sustainability has always been important to us; and we've always practiced the most environmentally sound construction practices," says John Liptak, President and CEO, OakWood. "By planting trees and rebuilding forests through the OakWood Green Canada Program, we can store more carbon and reduce the net carbon being emitted," he adds.

Under the OakWood Green Canada Project, any type of design and build project will be eligible. This includes renovation projects – such as kitchens, basements, additions, and bathrooms – to custom homes, investment properties, and commercial projects. For every \$10,000 invested in a design and build project, OakWood will plant a tree sapling through Tree Canada.

<u>Tree Canada</u> is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of Canadians by planting and nurturing tees while teaching about their value. To date, Tree Canada has planted over 80 million trees and is involved in reforestation and educational projects across the country.

Locally, Tree Canada supported Ottawa-Gatineau through OPERATION RELEAF following the devastating tornado damage in 2018. They provided funding to private landowners who had trees destroyed and give them the means to plant new trees on their properties.

## About OakWood

A fourth generation, family run business with over 60 years of experience, OakWood specializes in the design and build of high performance buildings, custom homes, and renovations that are energy efficient, technology enabled, healthy, and built using the eco-friendliest products and construction practices.

OakWood's comprehensive service offering includes: Architectural Design, Project Planning, Feasibility Analysis, Luxury Design Services, Renovation Experts, HandyManPRO, Age-in-Place, Panic Rooms, Custom Homes, Model Homes, In Fill Lots, Estate Lots, Commercial Services, Investment Properties, Land Development, Property Management, and Ottawa Land Bank.

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