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McSHANE CONSTRUCTION AWARDED 100,890 S.F. SECONDARY SCHOOL ASSIGNMENT ON BEHALF OF INSTITUTO DEL PROGRESO LATINO

(New Three-Story LEED™ Silver Instituto Health Science Career Academy to be Located in Chicago's Pilsen Neighborhood)

(Rosemont, Illinois) – Jeffrey A. Raday, President of McShane Construction Company, is pleased to announce the firm's recent award of the construction of Instituto Health Science Career Academy on behalf of owner, Instituto del Progreso Latino. The extensive renovation and new construction assignment is located on a one-acre site at 2520 S. Western Avenue in Chicago's Pilsen neighborhood. This three-story, 100,890 square foot modern high school will offer students a comprehensive science curriculum and will be constructed by McShane in accordance with LEED™ Silver standards.

The assignment includes the extensive demolition of a free standing building to the north of the property, as well as the partial interior demolition of this existing 77,280 square foot former warehouse and manufacturing facility. The new school will incorporate the reconstruction of this existing building together with 23,610 square feet of new construction that will be added.

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The completed facility will feature a glass, stained masonry and metal panel exterior. The interior will include nine science labs, individual classrooms, group learning environments, library, cafeteria, office space and common areas.

Sustainable features that McShane will incorporate into the school include natural day lighting and ventilation, low VOC materials, energy efficient heating and cooling systems, Energy Star appliances, low-E glass and low-flow plumbing finishes, among others. McShane will also implement a construction waste management plan to recycle used materials throughout the entire construction process.

“This new secondary school will add another level of enhancement to this growing area of Chicago,” Raday remarks. “Students will enjoy an advanced state-of-the-art learning environment upon this educational facility’s completion.”

Instituto Health Science Career Academy will offer students a science-rich curriculum that focuses on job placement within the science field upon graduation from the academy. The completed facility will also house the offices for owner, Instituto del Progreso Latino, an organization dedicated to the support of Chicago’s Latino immigrant community. Additionally, the space will serve as a community center in the evening to support local events and meetings.

The Resurrection Project, a community-based nonprofit organization supporting neighborhood development, is serving as the owner’s representative. Ghafari Associates will provide the architectural services for this educational project that is scheduled for completion in August 2011.

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