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## **CREEKSIDE selected as finalist for DBJ's Best Real Estate Deals**

*The retail property has undergone an impressive redevelopment*

**DALLAS, TX** — The *Dallas Business Journal* is pleased to announce that CREEKSIDE is a finalist in the Best Real Estate Deals of 2017. The 110,680 square-foot property is a prime example of a successful redevelopment and is one of a select few North Texas properties being recognized this year.

For the past 26 years, the *Dallas Business Journal's* Best Real Estate Deals program has put a spotlight on the transformational growth in North Texas. Projects like CREEKSIDE show why the region arguably is the most impressive commercial real estate market in the nation.

The judging panel, filled with longstanding Dallas-area real estate experts, selected CREEKSIDE for its successful turnaround. CREEKSIDE, formerly known as Skillman Abrams Shopping Center, was plagued with crime, vandalism and vagrancy when Retail Plazas Inc. purchased it from an auction. After a significant capital investment and a tremendous leasing effort, the property is now viable. With Alamo Drafthouse coming onboard to backfill the anchor position, CREEKSIDE is ready to lure in foot traffic.

“Given the pace of new construction in North Texas, to be named a Best Real Estate Deal finalist is truly noteworthy. Competition is fierce,” said Tracy Merzi, publisher of the *Dallas Business Journal*. “Congratulations to the entire team behind CREEKSIDE.”

The *Dallas Business Journal* receives hundreds of nominations for its annual Best Real Estate Deals program, highlighting the very best in commercial real estate in North Texas across 20 categories. In addition to the opportunity to win their own categories, all finalists this year are in the running for the ultimate distinction: Deal of the Year. Winners will be announced at an awards banquet on Wednesday April 11.

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