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WILLIAM GALLO OF GALLO HERBERT LEBOLO NAMED CHAIRPERSON OF THE DEAN'S DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL FOR THE NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY OCEANOGRAPHIC CENTER

Gallo helping lead the development's fundraising for the largest coral reef research center in the United States – to be located on NSU's Dania Beach campus

Deerfield Beach, Fla. (December 9, 2010) – William J. Gallo, AIA, LEED® AP Chairman/CEO of Deerfield Beach-based architectural firm of Gallo Herbert Lebolo, has been named chairperson of the Dean's Development Council for the Nova Southeastern University Oceanographic Center at Nova Southeastern University's (NSU) Dania Beach campus.

Gallo has been instrumental in leading NSU's development program for the largest coral reef research center in the United States. Federal economic stimulus money, in the amount of \$15 million, has been allocated for the project. It has been reported that the university will contribute more than half of the \$30 million project.

The 86,000-square-foot Center of Excellence for Coral Reef Ecosystems Science Research Facility will be built at NSU's Dania Beach oceanography campus, on the Intracoastal Waterway just north of John U. Lloyd State Park. "The new research center will be a signature architectural structure in the port where it will be highly visible, as more than 5,300 ships arrive at Port Everglades annually," said Gallo.

Port Everglades is among the nation's top seaports, a major petroleum storage and distribution hub, South Florida's primary bulk cargo depot, and a favorite U.S. Navy liberty port. It is also one of the largest cruise ship ports in the world with more than four million passengers passing through each year.

It has been reported that the new center will create 22 new academic jobs, employ 50 graduate students and preserve 22 academic positions. Construction of the project will create 300 jobs.

As the project moves forward, Gallo and other NSU supporters have formed "Friends of the NSU Oceanographic Center." "We hope that many South Floridians and others around the world will embrace this great organization, so that we may strengthen the bond we have with our most precious resources," said Gallo.

Scientists at NSU's National Coral Reef Institute have worked on a variety of projects to better understand and protect reefs. They will conduct research on coral genetics, deep sea reefs and reef mapping. The center will also focus much of its research on global and local environmental threats to reefs.

The center is expected to be completed in late 2011 or 2012.

ABOUT GALLO HERBERT LEBOLO

Gallo Herbert Lebolo, formerly known as Gallo Architects & Development Consultants, Inc. (GADC) was founded in 1988 by William J. Gallo, AIA. In its 22 years of existence the firm has gone through an architectural evolution, from post modernism, through constructivism to the current development of green building design and commissioning.

In 1999, GADC expanded and Brian P. Herbert, AIA, became a principal and in 2005 he became president. Emilio Lebolo III was later added as a principal and vice president in 2007.

The firm believes in producing vibrant, inspiring designs that transform into powerful and sustainable buildings. Gallo Herbert Lebolo strives to create functional spaces that fulfill challenging requirements and attract individuals to meet, relate and enjoy the ambiance. The firm's philosophy is to create social art.

To better represent the three owners, GADC began doing business as Gallo Herbert Lebolo in June of 2009.

Gallo, Herbert Lebolo is licensed to provide design services in Florida, Alabama, South Carolina, Georgia, Washington, D.C., Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Delaware, New York, and New Jersey. Additionally, the firm is able to operate throughout the United States by means of NCARB reciprocity, and in the Caribbean and Central America.

To find more about Gallo Herbert Lebolo, the partners, and the history of the firm go to its Web site at www.ghlaia.com.

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