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**Bala Consulting Engineers Announces the Retirement of Robert J. Voth
Accomplished Mechanical Engineer Instrumental in the Evolution of Philadelphia's Skyline**

December 17, 2024, Wayne, PA – Bala Consulting Engineers, Inc. (“Bala”) announces the retirement of Robert J. Voth, President on December 31, 2024. Voth has been a preeminent mechanical engineer devising groundbreaking engineering concepts and applications that have served as the backbone of Philadelphia’s reimagined skyline over the last four decades. He is a former owner of PHY Engineers which joined forces with Bala in 2009, where he has held project, business development and firm executive management roles and will continue to be a Board Member. During this time, Bob has been a dedicated mentor developing young engineers, created robust business development relationships and nurtured Bala’s future leadership using his vast knowledge of the business of engineering.

The skyline of Philadelphia features numerous signature buildings where Bob was instrumental in the design, planning and successful completion of some of the most landmark projects that have modernized the City. This includes the Comcast Technology Center and Comcast Center, the FMC Tower, The W Philadelphia, The Laurel, The St. James and The Loews Philadelphia. He has also volunteered personal time and resources toward improving HVAC and fire protection infrastructure technologies while still preserving some of the City’s most precious architectural gems such as the Tenth Presbyterian Church. Voth’s extensive experience, knowledge and creative thinking has had a major influence in advancing engineered systems for buildings on a national scale.

As an accomplished conceptual engineer, Voth has collaborated with developers, architects and city services to develop unique approaches to creating safer, more efficient buildings. His innovations have resulted in resetting-life safety and fire protection standards with the Philadelphia Fire Department, as well as hybrid combined heat and power applications to enhance building efficiency.

Bob has been a lifelong advocate of the engineering profession through his participation in national professional organizations like the Council on Tall Buildings and Urban Habitat (CTBUH) where he was an original board member of the Philadelphia Chapter and has participated as a committee advisor for the national organization. In 2016, Bob was also named as the first mechanical engineer in Philadelphia’s prestigious Carpenter’s Club.



“Bob has made a substantial impression on the development of Bala as a company and the success that we have garnered during his tenure,” said Kimberly Burkert, CEO of Bala Consulting Engineers. “We appreciate his dedication to serving our clients with the highest degree of skill and knowledge. He has helped to shape skylines and his legacy will shine through the new skyscrapers that are designed using the wisdom he has given to the next generation of engineers at Bala.”

“I have had the privilege of never having to ‘work’ one day in my career,” said Robert J. Voth, President, Bala Consulting Engineers. “Every day I have been excited to contribute on world-class projects and rise to daily challenges working with a team of passionate professionals. This has been fueled by the truly strong friendships I have made at Bala, and with my peers in this industry. Engineering is not for the narrow-minded and I am grateful to have had an entire world of opportunity to make a small difference in this important profession.”

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