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Council Member Ken Amaro Issues Statement on The Sale of Regency Square Mall

Jacksonville, FL – Council Member Ken Amaro released the following statement this morning regarding the recent sale of the Regency Square Mall:

"The recent acquisition of the legendary Regency Square Mall marks an exciting milestone for our community's growth and transformation. This property represents more than just land—it is an investment in our collective future not only for the Arlington area, but Jacksonville as a whole.

For years this former gem of all shopping centers has been the bane of community complaints. This past summer, my office dealt with the issue of their malfunctioning AC units with the utmost firmness and efficiency, and we were successful in getting what would be considered the only improvement the former owners have ever made to the mall during their tenure as owners completed. This only reinforces the fact this sale was well overdue.

As the district council member, I aspire for the new owners to cultivate a prosperous and connected community where residents can live, work, and play for generations to come. The principal of Blackwater Development, Mr. Rurmell Mcgee, said they have been in pursuit of this property for six years, and after all this time they have finally secured the sale. My hope is that the new owners' vision is to create opportunities for new businesses, housing, and shared spaces that reflect the needs and aspirations of everyone in the area. It cannot be stressed enough - this is a transformative opportunity that I hope the new owners will take full advantage of.

Again, congratulations to the new owners of the Regency Square Mall property. This is a new day for Arlington and Jacksonville."