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Empire Communities Opens 4 Central Texas Models

Houston, Texas Jan. 2, 2019: After acquiring Centerra Homes earlier this year, Empire Communities continues its expansion into Central Texas, opening four new model homes in the last few months with more on the way.

Empire opened its Richmond model home in Pflugerville's Blackhawk community in August. Located at 20420 Crested Caracara Lane, the four-bedroom model features a number of décor upgrades, as well as a bedroom extension and a bay window in the master suite. The base price of the 2,638-square-foot model is in the \$300,000s. Empire offers 13 home designs in the community, with pricing from the \$250,000s and home sizes ranging from 1,500 to more than 3,500 square feet.

Empire also built the Richmond model at the award-winning master-planned community Santa Rita Ranch in Liberty Hill. This model, located at 104 Civita Road, was opened late September showcasing a different elevation and various available upgrades.

"By choosing the same floor plan in two different communities, we were able to demonstrate the flexibility of Empire's home designs and how décor choices can completely transform a home," said Tom Grant, Division President of Empire's Austin Homebuilding Division.

The Santa Rita Ranch model features several different structural options, a game room and contemporary nuances. It is one of eight floor plans Empire offers in Santa Rita Ranch, with homes priced from the upper \$290,000s that range from more than 2,100 to 3,500 square feet.

Also, Empire opened its Braunig model at 3 Cattle Drive in Potranco Ranch in Castroville. Empire offers estate homes in this tranquil, gated community. The 3,110-square-foot home has five bedrooms and three baths, as well as a three-car garage and extended covered patio with an outdoor fireplace. It is located at 3 Cattle Drive. Pricing in the community starts from the \$380,000s and plans for the new section will be announced soon.

A fourth model home opened in late 2018 in Bellingham Meadows located in northeast Austin. Another model home in Lakeside at Lake Georgetown one of Empire Communities' own developments, is expected to open in January.

"We are happy to be part of the Empire family — it's been a great transition, and we look forward to continuing to solidify our presence in Central Texas," Grant said. "We are committed to building the highest quality of homes and delivering the best customer service through every touchpoint. I am confident that every model that we build showcases the quality, style and flexibility that Empire is known for."

Empire Communities celebrated their 25th anniversary in the industry this year, having built more than 12,000 new homes and condominiums in Canada. It builds in a dozen Austin-area communities and can be found in three San Antonio developments. Empire also builds in nine communities in the greater Houston area.

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Photo Information

Empire Blackhawk Model.jpg

Empire opened a four-bedroom model home at 20420 Crested Caracara Lane in in Blackhawk last year, one of four to open in the latter half of 2018 as the builder expanded its Central Texas footprint.

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Empire Communities opened its Richmond model home at 104 Civita Road in Santa Rita Ranch in Liberty Hill last year.

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