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**Award-Winning Ani Ramen House to Open Restaurant & Commissary Kitchen in
Downtown Newark's Historic Hahne & Co. Building**



At 8,700 square feet, the Halsey Street space will be Ani's largest location

NEWARK, NJ (January 17, 2020)—L+M Development Partners (L+M), Prudential Financial (Prudential) and Goldman Sachs Urban Investment Group (UIG) announced today that award-winning craft ramen and Japanese Izakaya restaurant group, Ani Ramen House, has signed a 10-year lease for approximately 8,700 square feet on the first floor of the historic Hahne & Co. building on Halsey Street in downtown Newark. The new space – Ani's largest yet – will include a restaurant, the company's first commissary kitchen and corporate offices. Pierson Commercial Real Estate represented the landlord and tenant in the deal.

Ani Ramen House, launched in 2014 by Luck Sarabhayavanija, builds on the Japanese tradition of quality ramen. The restaurant group has become well-known in the region for its house-made pork, chicken and vegetarian ramen broths using artisan Sun Noodles, as well as their bao buns, gyoza, and other izakaya small plates. The Hahne & Co. space will be Ani's sixth location

and serve as the company's headquarters, where chefs will prepare food for the other Ani outposts in Montclair, Jersey City, Summit and Maplewood.

"We are thrilled to have Ani Ramen House – some of the best ramen in the region – open in the historic Hahne & Co. building. Their presence will help to further transform Halsey Street into one of the most exciting dining corridors in the city and serve as an important addition for residents, workers and visitors alike. We look forward to welcoming diners when doors open later this year – and eating here ourselves," **said L+M Development Partners Director Jake Pine.**

Ani Ramen House's Founding Partner, Luck Sarabhayavanija stated, "Having grown up in Bloomfield, the town right next to Newark, I am excited not only to open an Ani Ramen House restaurant in the flourishing Newark community but to also make Ani Ramen's new home base in the historic Hahne's building."

The new location, designed by Inglese Architecture & Engineering, is expected to open later this year. The space will include a 2,500-square foot restaurant, 5,000-square foot commissary kitchen, and 1,200 square feet of offices. Located on Halsey Street between New Street and Bleecker Street, the restaurant is conveniently located just steps from light rail, parks, and cultural institutions, as well as the NJ Transit commuter rail station for a half hour ride into Lower Manhattan.

Ani Ramen House is the latest business to move into the historic Hahne & Co. building, which L+M, Prudential and Goldman Sachs UIG reopened in 2017 after an extensive overhaul. The former department store, which sat abandoned for nearly 30 years, was transformed into a mixed-use complex featuring residences, an arts and cultural center operated by Rutgers University-Newark, Newark's first Whole Foods Market, an outpost of New Orleans-based coworking company Launch Pad, and a Marcus Samuelsson restaurant, Marcus B&P.

The Hahne Co. building is also located several blocks from Walker House, the recently opened mixed-use development in the restored historic Art Deco NJ Bell building at 540 Broad Street in Downtown Newark. L+M, Prudential and Goldman Sachs Urban Investment Group launched leasing for that building's 211 luxury residences over the summer, offering potential tenants first-rate amenities with high-end finishes in a landmarked building. The 21-story building includes 264 units of mixed-income housing and a UPS store, with a brewery called Newark Local Beer; Newark's first climbing gym, Method Climbing; and mafia movie-themed coffee shop and restaurant Bada Bean Cawfee all set to open later in the year.

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