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MAYOR BENICI DELIVERS INAUGURAL “STATE OF THE CITY” ADDRESS

HIGH POINT, N.C. (July 25, 2017) – High Point Mayor Bill Bencini delivered an update on the City of High Point’s advancement in the past fiscal year and plans for the future at Business High Point’s State of the City luncheon sponsored by Thomas Built Buses on Tuesday at the High Point Country Club.

With their 2017 strategic goals as City Council’s guideposts, Bencini recapped that progress towards those objectives included the Community Development and Housing department reducing housing case backlog by 80%, the addition of 1,400 jobs by Alorica, the Main Street Project to replace infrastructure and improve aesthetics of the area near the High Point Public Library and Council’s approval to purchase land downtown and construct a multi-purpose stadium. Bencini also reflected on the opening of Congdon Hall, which will house the School of Health Sciences and Fred Wilson School of Pharmacy at High Point University, High Point Regional Hospital’s capital campaign that has raised \$26 million and the GAP apprenticeship program in partnership with Guilford County Schools and Guilford Technical Community College.

Future efforts highlighted by Bencini include the completion of the second phase of the Library Renovation Project, an improved corridor from the I-74/US-311 interchange and the \$38 million fundraising pledge by Dr. Nido Qubein to support the future multi-use stadium and surrounding amenities.

The inaugural State of the City presented by Thomas Built Buses was hosted by Business High Point. For more information, please contact Communications and Public Engagement Director Jeron Hollis at 336.883.8507 or jeron.hollis@highpointnc.gov.

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