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**Baum Revision Receives Award from the Wisconsin Historical Society**

**Chicago, IL.** – The Wisconsin Historical Society is excited to announce that Baum Revision is the recipient of the 2020 Historic Restoration Award for their role in the preservation of the Garver Feed Mill in Madison, WI.

“I extend my congratulations to Baum Revision, and all the firms and individuals who made the rehabilitation of the Garver Feed Mill possible,” said Christian Overland, Ruth and Hartley Barker Director & CEO of the Wisconsin Historical Society. “The Restoration Award recognizes the effort to bring new life to the former Feed Mill. With its focus on food and health, the restored and repurposed building will continue as an important surviving link between Madison and its regional agricultural heritage.”

In 2017, Baum Development begin the rehabilitation of Garver Feed Mill.  After being vacant for 19 years this building was in poor condition; entire roof sections were missing, structure was deteriorated and wall masonry was in dire straits.  With the help of the historic preservation tax credits, this $19 million dollar project was completed in 2019.  Staff from the Wisconsin Historical Society assisted the design team to assure the project met the Secretary of the Interior's Standards.  Today, the Garver Feed Mill is home to eleven small businesses including NessAlla Kombucha, Ledger Coffee Roasters, and Ian's Pizza.

The Garver Feed Mill was constructed in 1906 as the U.S. Sugar Co. The building was remodeled in 1929 as the Garver Feed and Supply Co. From 1997-2018, the building sat vacant and was subject to water infiltration and vandalism. For four years, Baum Revision participated in dozens of public meetings and negotiations with the City of Madison. In the summer of 2019, the Garver Feed Mill reopened as a beautifully rehabilitated food production facility and community space where 11 local businesses thrive.

Each year, the Wisconsin Historical Society’s governing Board of Curators recognizes individuals and organizations for meritorious work in areas relating to the Society’s mission.  The Board of Curators is made up of thirty-seven elected and appointed members from across the state.

For information on award criteria, nominations and deadlines please visit [www.wisconsinhistory.org](http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/).

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