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CHOATE SELECTED FOR MASSIVE PROJECT AT MAJOR UNIVERSITY

North Georgia College & State University Expanding Housing, Dining and Parking to Accommodate Increased Enrollment

ATLANTA (June XX, 2009) – Choate Construction has been selected by North Georgia College & State University in Dahlonega to construct its massive facility expansion program that will accommodate approximately 1,000 new students per year.

The two phase, \$60 million project will include both new civilian and cadet housing, structured parking and a dynamic dining hall that will also encourage students to live on campus as opposed to commute, according to university officials.

“We’re basically needing to double our size to accommodate several previous years of rapid enrollment growth, as well as continued future growth in the coming years,” said Mac McConnell, Vice President of Business and Finance with North Georgia College & State University. “We have historically been a residential campus, and this expansion will allow us to continue providing top quality residential alternatives to our students in the future.

North Georgia College & State University will begin with phase one, which includes:

- An 85,000-square-foot, 352-bed cadet housing complex, the first of three potential new buildings in order to accommodate significant growth in the Corps of Cadets. The Corps intends to increase the number officers commissioned each year to 100, up from the 50 per year that have traditionally been commissioned. The suite-style project will have adjoining bedrooms, and will include a laundry room, media center, meeting rooms, and a support facility.**

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- A 147,000-square-foot, 602-bed civilian dormitory with suite-style rooms, common kitchens, media and recreation room, computer lounge, classrooms, extensive day rooms and an outside courtyards.
- A 335,000-square-foot, 1,080-vehicle, six-story parking deck.

Phase two includes:

- A 36,500-square-foot dining facility with nine separate food stations and an elegant banquet hall to host University and community events.

The first phase of the project is expected to be delivered in August of 2010, and phase two is expected to be delivered in July of 2011.

Team players also include Ambling University Development Group as developer, Lord, Aeck Sargent as architect, and Jones Lang LaSalle as program manager.

North Georgia College & State University is The Military College of Georgia, and one of only six Senior Military Colleges in the United States. It is Georgia's second oldest public university.

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