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## **BOBRICK'S RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY ON AUGUST 10, 2015 FOR THEIR NEW 100,000 SQ .FT. HEADQUARTERS DRAWS A BIG CROWD; LOS ANGELES MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI DELIVERS KEYNOTE.**

Bobrick Washroom Equipment, Inc. officially opened their new 100,000 square foot headquarters, manufacturing, and distribution facility in North Hollywood three blocks from its previous location where they manufactured soap dispensers for over 50 years in its 100 year history as a Los Angeles-based company.

Los Angeles Mayor Garcetti represented the city and highlighted his remarks with the following theme,

"Bobrick is not your average manufacturer," said Mayor Eric Garcetti. "This company represents the innovative and forward-thinking spirit that defines the Los Angeles business community. Bobrick has been serving and employing Angelenos for more than a century and its expansion is further proof that a strong wage builds a strong business. To help more Angeleno-owned businesses follow in Bobrick's footsteps and ensure that L.A. remains the manufacturing center of this country, I will continue to cut red tape at City Hall and phase out our local business tax. An investment in businesses like Bobrick is an investment in our ability to compete in an increasingly global market."

Councilman Paul Krekorian, who represents the area, added "Bobrick has shown tremendous investment in our community and we look forward to their business leadership for many years to come."

Mark Louchheim, President of Bobrick, stated, "We are loyal to Los Angeles and to our local workforce, which we anticipate will grow over the coming years. Our new corporate headquarters will create an engaging environment which will allow us to attract and retain a highly talented workforce for the decades ahead."

Bobrick manufacturing, warehousing and management will now work under one roof in a contemporary world-class environment, which includes a parking structure for employees and a solar power system. Gensler, the global design firm, provided design concepts and office interior design for the new corporate offices, which will be a LEED Gold facility. Millie and Severson, Inc. acted as the general contractor, with RGA designing the building shell and core. Binswanger handled the project management. Representatives from firms associated with the new facility were present to celebrate today's opening, along with neighboring businesses and Bobrick employees.

Bobrick is the world's leading manufacturer of restroom accessories and toilet partitions for commercial building owners; and markets under the Bobrick, Koala Kare and Gamco brands.

Bobrick has been continuously headquartered and manufacturing in the City of Los Angeles for 109 years since it was founded in January 1906. In addition to several international locations, Bobrick also has manufacturing and distribution facilities in Centennial CO, Durant OK, Jackson TN, and Clifton Park NY.

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