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**THE CONGRESS COMPANIES HIRES ADDITIONAL MANAGEMENT TO
SUPPORT COMPANY GROWTH**

PEABODY, MA – The Congress Companies, a construction management and development company specializing in the Senior Living, Health Care, and Multi-Family market sectors throughout New England, New York, and New Jersey, is pleased to welcome three Project Managers to their team. Stephen T. King, Senior Project Manager, Robert M. Mini, Project Manager, and Andrew DiFraia, Assistant Project Manager, recently joined the Peabody-based firm.

“We are thrilled to add Stephen King, Robert Mini, and Andrew DiFraia to the Congress team. Andrew has joined us as an Assistant Project Manager, with strong technical skills, and great upside potential to manage construction. Robert joins us as an established Project Manager with years of experience having worked successfully in the Boston and greater New York regions, consistent with our footprint. Stephen spent over 15 years with Congress earlier in his career, and is a proven performer at a very high level,” noted Congress CEO, William A. Nicholson.

As Senior Project Manager, King is the firm’s primary customer contact and interfaces with owners and architects for selected projects. He is also responsible for projects’ overall performance, final cost, and schedule.

In addition to his previous tenure with Congress, King spent five years as a Senior Project Manager for Walsh Brothers, Inc. of Boston where he was responsible for managing an onsite construction management project at the Gillette World Shaving Headquarters in South Boston. He has also served as a Senior Project Manager and Vice President of Operations for numerous Massachusetts construction firms, where he was responsible for all aspects of building construction, overall profitability, and for building relationships with clients and architects.

In his role as Project Manager at Congress, Mini coordinates and oversees completion of activities in all phases of the project cycle for construction projects. He is responsible for the oversight of Project Superintendents’ activities, and serves as the liaison between clients and architects.

Mini brings over 20 years of experience as a Project Manager and Project Superintendent for various engineering and construction firms in the Boston area. His project management experience includes an impressive list of notable projects including the 240,000 square foot out of ground, four-phased construction of the Ken Olsen Science Center at Gordon College in Wenham, MA. Mini played a key role in the construction of the five-story, 320-room Hilton Garden Inn project in Plymouth, MA, which was completed in 44 weeks. In addition to managing all phases of the Hilton construction schedule, Mini worked closely with the landlord, building owner and local union

representatives to help resolve a local labor dispute, allowing the project to be completed on time.

As Assistant Project Manager at Congress, DiFraia is responsible for the management of submittals, schedule updates, quality control documentation, changes in the work, and other construction management and engineering functions.

DiFraia previously worked with Homans Associates as a Mechanical Equipment Application Engineer. In this role, he provided technical support on product specifications, layout, design, and the application of CITY MULTI and unitary systems. He also served as Project Engineer at Total Interior, where he managed all project plans, contracts, subcontracts, purchase orders, shop drawings, and other project-related materials.

“Stephen, Robert and Andrew are valuable additions to our team and they will allow us to meet the increased demand for our services, which we are experiencing with our valued repeat clients,” added Nicholson.

The Congress Companies serves clients in New England, New York, New Jersey and beyond from their headquarters in Peabody, MA and offices in Lake Success, NY. With 60 plus years of building experience and expertise, Congress offers a full continuum of Pre-Construction Strategy, Construction Management, Design/Build, Development, and Building Commissioning Services and specializes in the Senior Living, Health Care, and Multi-Family Residential market sectors. To learn more about The Congress Companies, visit: www.congresscompanies.com.

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