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## LinkedIn selects Avison Young to oversee project management at Empire State Building headquarters

NYC-based team will oversee improvements to the professional networking platform's vertical campus at the iconic Midtown Manhattan office tower

**New York City – Avison Young's New York Project Management Division** has been selected by LinkedIn to oversee improvements across its New York City headquarters at the Empire State Building, a massive space consisting of more than 500,000 square feet across 11 floors at the iconic Midtown Manhattan office tower.

Avison Young **Principal Kirsten Beck** and **Senior Project Manager Robb Davidson**, both based in the firm's New York office, will head up LinkedIn's project management team, helping to shape the continued buildout of the vertical campus after the company recently expanded its presence in the property by leasing three additional floors.

"We are thrilled to be working with LinkedIn to improve and expand their New York City headquarters. These changes will shape the future of the LinkedIn workplace for years to come," Beck said. "We believe our expertise in project management and construction working with our other tech and innovative clients brings a strong foundation to this project and gives LinkedIn the confidence in our abilities to manage the continued buildout of this remarkable space."

The New York team, which was awarded the project through a national master service agreement with Avison Young's Chicago office, will assist with creating cohesion across the 501,509square-foot vertical campus following the professional networking platform's recent lease expansion that added floors 14, 15 and 16 to its existing space across the third floor and floors 22 through 28.

"Anticipating LinkedIn's continued growth, we plan to use our expertise to implement changes that will unify the space across multiple floors without disruption to existing operations," Davidson said. "We will maximize the efficiency of the space through a range of design and technology improvements to not only maintain collaboration among employees but significantly boost it."

LinkedIn is the world's largest professional network with more than 645 million users in more than 200 countries and territories worldwide. Launched in 2003 and headed by CEO Jeff Weiner, the company's diversified business includes revenues from membership subscriptions, advertising sales, and recruitment solutions. Microsoft acquired LinkedIn in 2016, bringing together the world's leading professional cloud with the world's leading professional network.

The renowned 102-story, 1,454-foot Empire State Building, designed by Shreve, Lamb & Harmon and completed in 1931, stood as the world's tallest building for nearly 40 years until the



completion of the World Trade Center's North Tower in 1970. The building is located in Manhattan's Midtown South submarket, the epicenter of the city's TAMI (technology, advertising, media and information) office tenants. It remains one of the city's top tourist destinations and is conveniently located in central Manhattan near an array of subway lines including the 1, 2, 3 B, D, F, M, N, Q and R trains.

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