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## Dominion Builders Completes Historic Renovation of 90-Year Old Retail Center

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In November, Dominion Builders completed the renovation of 5875 Sunset Drive in South Miami. The 90-year-old, 5,200 square foot retail center, is owned by Sunset One Properties.

SOUTH MIAMI, Fla. – Nov. 28, 2018 – For 90 years the retail center at 5875 Sunset Drive in South Miami has watched all of Miami change around it. However, recently it was the decades-old building's turn for a major facelift and in November Dominion Builders, completed renovating the 5,200 square foot retail center that is owned by Sunset One Properties.

“We were happy to be able to bring a comprehensive renovation solution to this commercial space,” said Mark Gemignani, president of Dominion Builders. “We’ve

brought new life to an old building with new structural components, a reinforced foundation, new demising walls, updated electrical and plumbing components including ADA compliant restrooms, new storefront windows and backlit street signage.”

The project took a year to complete and was partially occupied during the renovation. At certain points, the engineering was paramount, when removing the first-floor foundation walls remained occupied.

According to the South Miami Historic Board, in 1914, pioneer John Opsahl developed the property as a general store. In 1926, William Manning Dowling renovated the building adding a curved and crenellated front parapet, an arcade, a screened in porch above the arcade and apartments on the second floor. In 1994, the building was yet again renovated and the apartments were transformed into offices.

For the twenty-first century renovation, the architectural and engineering team consisted of Royal Byckovas (R&B), Optimus Structural Design and CREDO Consulting Engineers.

“The South Miami business district has undergone a tremendous revitalization in the past few years,” said Gemignani. “We are proud to be a part of Sunset One Properties’ team in making this retail center shine again.”

#### **About Dominion Builders**

Dominion Builders is a privately owned, commercial general contractor licensed in the multiple states and in Canada. The Coral Gables, Florida, based corporate headquarters draws on more than 40 years of extensive experience in the construction arena.

The company’s diverse portfolio encompasses a wide range of sectors, including hospitality, health/medical, financial institutions, retail, food service, corporate offices, and agriculture. Dominion’s experience is exemplified through an eminent award-winning portfolio, which highlights its craftsmanship, teamwork and passion to impact real estate communities. For more information, visit [www.dominionbuild.com](http://www.dominionbuild.com).

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