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RHODE ISLAND-BASED COMPANY DEVELOPS ADU PREFABS USING RECLAIMED SHIPPING CONTAINERS

BRISTOL, RI – Feb. 1, 2021 – <u>ADDASPACE</u>, a new manufacturer of modular ADUs constructed from reclaimed shipping containers and sustainable materials, recently began production, according to ADDASPACE principal Anders Hansen.

ADDASPACE enables homeowners to add a custom-designed, environmentally friendly modular space alongside their current home, giving them an alternative to moving or costly home renovation. All ADDASPACE modules are built using environmentally friendly and sustainable materials. Unlike extensive renovations - which can take multiple months or longer, not to mention the dust and chaos - ADDASPACE's entire, hassle-free process takes just weeks. "From the design and permitting processes to delivery and installation, our mission is to make adding a space as easy and stress-free as possible," Hansen said.

The entire core of the construction, the shipping container, lends itself well to solid and safe construction with very few amendments – such as cutting out windows and doors – hence the energy used to turn it from cargo to a residence purpose is minimal. ADDASPACE also offers a solar panel solution that can take a unit off the grid, making it self-sustainable.

Sustainable building materials used in constructing ADDASPACE modules, aside from the containers, include <u>Kebony</u> modified wood for cladding, which is suited to any weather, making it an ideal standard cladding product. "We were looking for a green cladding product to go with our reclaimed shipping container frame, and we wanted clean, smooth surface," Hansen said. "Kebony looks great, and customers keep touching it because it's so smooth. I also like the grey patina that it takes on over time."

The ADDASPACE process is simple, efficient and flexible. Standard modular plans include ADDA-Gym, ADDA-home office, ADDA-guest suite, ADDA-pool cabana. The company can also accommodate custom designs too. ADDASPACE handles the entire permitting process prior to installation; the whole project is generally completed in less than 10 weeks.

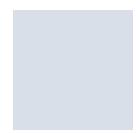
"ADDASPACE was born from an understanding that our lifestyle needs are changing rapidly. People needed more space for work and school, but their options, until now, were limited and expensive," said Andrew Naperotic, ADDASPACE co-founder. "With ADDASPACE, homeowners can enjoy modern, modular living at an affordable price with a space to suit their diverse and ever-evolving needs, whether that be a home office, kids' retreat, workout area, or even an alternative to assisted living or nursing homes for older relatives." Kebony is a Norwegian company which aims to be the **leading wood brand and technology organization**. Underpinned by proven timber modification technologies, it produces an enhanced wood of a superior quality that is both environmentally friendly and cost-effective.

The company's **headquarters is based in Oslo**, with its production facility in Skien, South of Oslo. Currently employing about 60 people, Kebony has subsidiaries in Norway, Denmark and Sweden, sales representatives in Germany, France, UK and the US and a wide distribution network internationally. Shareholders are leading the venture with private equity investors from Germany, France, UK and Norway. The company has received numerous awards for its environmentally friendly technology and innovation, including its naming as a World Economic Forum Technology Pioneer.

The **Kebony® technology** permanently transforms sustainable wood species such as pine into Kebony wood with features that are comparable, and in some cases superior, to those of precious tropical hardwoods. This unique environmentally friendly process is also a superior alternative to traditional wood treatment based on impregnation with biocides (wood preservatives). The company's patent-protected production processes yield products that deliver major improvements in durability and dimensional stability, at the same time as being highly attractive. The Kebony products are suitable for a multitude of applications and designs – encompassing both indoor and outdoor applications.

Kebony's mission is, through active innovation, quality thinking and understanding of commercial possibilities; give the world beautiful, long lasting and environmentally friendly wood products. The company will show social responsibility and contribute to improvements of the environment in a way that builds a better future.

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