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### **Martin Commercial Properties Sells 31,075 Square Foot Property at 5047 Richardson Road in Mancelona, MI**

EAST LANSING, MI – *October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020*: Martin Commercial Properties, a leading privately-owned real estate services and development company, has facilitated a sale for Bay City Academy at 5047 Richardson Road in Mancelona, Michigan. The purchaser is Alba Ventures, LLC.

This Bay City Academy location operates under the name of North Central Academy. It is located in Chestonia Township and situated 1/2 mile off US-131 near Alba. It is a single story building that includes 19 classrooms, an auditorium, gymnasium, and a lunchroom. The 31,075 square foot building sits on 28 acres of land.

Martin Commercial Properties represented the seller in the transaction and were facilitated by Thomas Jamieson, Senior Associate, Office Advisor, and Eric Rosekrans, CCIM, CPM, Senior Vice President, Office Advisor. “We are proud to help Bay City Academy in finding the ideal purchaser for their expansive property,” stated Jamieson. “Martin is thankful for the trust that Bay City Academy had in us to achieve their goals for this unique property during these times of uncertainty.”

Bay City Academy operates K-12 charter schools that focus on the core philosophy of Choice Theory and character education. They offer small class sizes and have a focus on the arts. Bay City Academy was founded in September 2011 with just 150 students and have doubled in size since then. While Bay City Academy will no longer be the owner of the building, they will continue to operate their school as a tenant.

“We had a great experience working with Martin. We appreciate Thomas and the staff treating us as a school rather than just a number or an empty building,” stated Brian Lynch, Superintendent of Bay City Academy. “It would have been detrimental to the families of the children who attend our academy if the school closed because we were not able to execute a transaction. Thanks to Martin, our school will remain open and continue providing education to hundreds of students. Martin helped us make a difference in Mancelona.”

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