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**City Room/Home/Community Honored with National Design Award**

**CITY, STATE, DATE** –A city, state, room/home/community has won a platinum/gold/silver award for the project category in the 2018 Best in American Living™ Awards (BALA) by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB).

About the project (include all the following information that is applicable): Name and location of project; designed by [firm name]; built by [firm name]; interiors by [firm name]; developed by [firm name]; and land planner [firm name]. **Example:** The homes were designed by the [City, State], firm of [Company Name] and built by [Company Name] in [City, State]. The interiors were designed by [Company Name] of [City, State], the developer was [Company Name] of [City, State], and the land planner [Company Name] of [City, State].

Details about the project (include all the following information that is applicable): How many square feet; how many units; how many acres; single family, multifamily, mixed use, etc.; design details; materials used; energy efficiency and green building features; room/home/community amenities. **Example:** The townhomes’ traditionalarchitectural details and natural materials compliment the surrounding single-family homes in this infill development. Mature trees, old-fashioned front porches and balconies engage the street, and train transportation to [City] is three blocks away. Each four-story home includes a great room with built-in bookcases, gas fireplace, fine millwork and hardwood flooring.

“The BALAs are the most prestigious awards of their kind, setting the benchmark for innovations in residential home design,” said Don Ruthroff, Principal at Dahlin Group Architecure Planning, NAHB’s 2018 Judging Chair and 2018 Best in American Living Awards Subcommittee Chair. “We are proud to recognize these companies and individuals for their creative and forward-thinking approaches to their work.”

Now in its 35th year, BALA recognizes outstanding achievement by builders and design professionals in all sectors of the residential housing industry including single-family production, custom, multifamily, affordable, remodeling, community and interiors. BALA is built on the principle that all great homes start with great design, no matter cost or size.

Award winners were formally announced during the annual NAHB International Builders’ Show in Las Vegas and were sponsored by GE Appliances, a Haier Company; Monogram; Hotpoint; Profile; and Café. The media sponsor was Professional Builder.

Additional Information about the BALA program can be found at bestinamericanliving.com. The 2018 Winners Portfolio, featuring design trends and project photographs, will be available online beginning Feb. 21, 2019.

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