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Historical landmark ceremony held at site of old Laing Middle School

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Charleston, SC – The Laing Alumni Association hosted a historical marker unveiling today, January 29, 2020 at the former site of **Laing Middle School**. The property was sold to HomeDepot and the school relocated to the shared Sweetgrass Basket Campus. Laing has a storied history and as part of the demolition of the old school, Home Depot representatives promised to memorialize the school's history by preserving and implementing architectural and landscape elements of the old school into the new store and surrounding area.

Wando High School students were tasked with designing a site plan to enhance the area around the historical marker. They were recognized during today's dedication by local, regional and state officials as well as Charleston County School District Superintendent Dr. Gerrita Postlewait.

In addition, Home Depot donated a \$5,000 check to the Laing Alumni Association which was presented by two Laing alumni that work at the Mount Pleasant store.

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