

## Press Release

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### **Sarnafil Tops Basketball Hall of Fame**

#### *Highest Quality Single-Ply Membrane Chosen to Protect Memorabilia*

Canton, Mass. – Sarnafil Inc., a worldwide leading manufacturer of high quality thermoplastic roofing and waterproofing systems, announces the successful completion of the roof on the Basketball Hall of Fame, located in Springfield, Massachusetts. Sarnafil's G410 adhered roof system was installed by Titan Roofing, a Sarnafil approved *elite level* applicator. The light gray, single ply thermoplastic roof system combines the aesthetic qualities demanded by the building's architect with the owner's need for long-term, watertight protection of the valuables inside.

Like the players inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame each year, Sarnafil was chosen to provide the roofing membrane for the 83,000 square foot roof because of its exceptional track record of proven performance. "Our roofing membrane uses the same basic formulation it did when we first began manufacturing it in Switzerland in 1964," said Brian Whelan, Sarnafil's vice president of sales and marketing. "Proven reliability is critical when the items contained within the building are as priceless as the ones in the Basketball Hall of Fame."

One of the architectural firms responsible for this project, Bargmann Hendrie + Archetype, Inc. (BH+A), located in Boston, MA, knew Sarnafil could help them create the rooftop look they desired. Tom Scarlata, associate principal at BH+A, said, "We used a custom gray, fleece-backed Sarnafil membrane to ensure a smooth uniform surface. Large recessed air intake plenums were used to eliminate mechanical equipment from the roof. We covered the walls of these intakes with membrane to provide a continuous heat-welded enclosure."

Across the U.S., you can find a Sarnafil roof on many other well-known sports facilities, including: the Olympic Oval Speed Skating Arena in Salt Lake City, UT; the American Airlines Center in Dallas, TX; the Staples Center in Los Angeles, CA; the United Center in Chicago, IL; Gillette Stadium in Foxboro, MA; and Miller Ball Park in Milwaukee, WI.

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**About Sarnafil**

Sarnafil is a subsidiary of Switzerland-based Sarna Group, a manufacturer of high-tech plastic polymers for a wide range of applications including roofing, civil engineering, automotive, electronics and telecommunications industries. Sarnafil has manufactured more than 3 billion square feet of thermoplastic roofing and waterproofing membrane since 1964 with the company's U.S. manufacturing plant established in Canton, MA in 1975. Sarnafil roofing and waterproofing systems protect some of the world's most valuable structures including numerous schools, retail buildings, libraries, museums, hospitals, commercial buildings and stadiums. **For more information about Sarnafil in the United States, visit <http://www.sarnafilus.com>**

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