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RHODES TOWER MODERNIZATION



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WINDOW REPLACEMENT HAS BEGUN

Window replacement work began in mid-October on the vacant 20th floor. This helped the crews become proficient in the process.

The replacement work is now occurring in sections, beginning with the northeast side and rotating counterclockwise around the building. Work on each section begins on the 40th floor. Crews are now working down the northeast side of the building. Each section takes two to three nights per floor to complete.

The entire window replacement project will be completed in two years.

When windows are being replaced, all the tenants on the affected floor need to be off the floor before 4:30 p.m. They will be permitted back on the floor by 7 a.m. the next morning.

Furniture and equipment is being moved away from the windows each evening and moved back for the next workday. As a result, affected tenants are receiving instructions regarding clearing their areas and receiving totes to temporarily store belongings. Because their computer equipment is being moved

as well, affected tenants are advised to save all of their work before leaving on those days.

To view a video of the sequence in which the windows will be replaced and a sample floor plan containing a projected timeline, go to the [Rhodes Modernization web page](#).



Applying her "John Hancock" to the mast climber is Nancy Hite of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services.

WANTED: YOUR JOHN HANCOCK

You can be part of the Rhodes Tower renovation project's "topping out" celebration! You are invited to sign your name on the last section of the mast climber tower through Friday, Nov. 8.

This piece is located in the northeast section of the lobby near the State seal and the mid-rise elevators.

After the mast climber piece is signed, it will be ready for the "topping out" celebration. In building construction, topping out is a builders' ritual traditionally held when the last beam or its equivalent is placed atop a structure during its construction.

After the signing, this section will be able to be spotted on the south side (Broad Street side) of the building. It will be the very top section of the east tower (right side as you are looking at the building from across the street on the Statehouse lawn).

GRANITE WORK CONTINUES

The granite repair work continues on the west side of the building and will be completed during the first quarter of 2020. Granite repair is scheduled for completion during the third quarter of 2020 on the south side of the building and the second quarter of 2021 on the other two sides of the building.



Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost (third from left) joins members of the Rhodes Modernization project team. They are (from left) Ron Sheely, Superintendent, Turner Construction Company; Joe Frazer, Glazier, Pioneer Cladding and Glazing; and Orval Jones, Bricklayer, Berglund Construction Company.