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## Remodeling Homes For 20 Years and Counting!

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Native Houstonian Nick Eronko grew up on the SE side of town near Almeda Mall. "I moved to the Heights in 1996," he comments.

Nick earned a BBA in Accounting from the University of St. Thomas before working in the financial field/banking for 15 years. Nick says, "I also worked as a regional accounting manager for an IT consulting firm in town for 10 years. I loved my job, but as middle management, didn't see any growth unless I wanted to relocate which wasn't appealing to me. I worked for Bungalow Revival part-time in the evenings helping with financials while employed, then decided to make it a full-time job in 2009."

Bungalow Revival is now owned by Nick and Gilbert Perez. Nick explains, "Remodeling historic structures is our primary business, although we do remodel structures that aren't historic. I partnered with Gilbert

and was involved in the first houses we remodeled." He adds, "The love of restoring these old gems and giving them a second life thrilled me. It was great to see our clients so appreciative as well as doing something for the neighborhood."

Nick and Gilbert are continually looking at the process to provide a better product, whether through design or structurally. Bungalow Revival has also stood the test of time. They started remodeling bungalows 20 years ago and they're still here!

## **About Bungalow Revival**

According to their website, "Old homes can be fully updated while retaining a high degree of character. We will ensure that the character of your home is maintained while giving it 21st century functionality and ongoing sustainability."

What makes Bungalow Revival unique is their "meticulous craftsmanship and seamless additions," which are "charming nods to decades past." While they didn't invent the bungalow, Gilbert and Nick are striving to protect it.

They explain, "Our goal is to preserve and create architectural spaces that honor Houston's history as much as its progress." They look at the finer details of a bungalow's design as well as a practical in-depth look at the exterior of a bungalow (roofing, siding,





windows, doors, etc.) and the interior of a bungalow to determine the best course of action.

Don't delay the remodeling process. "A good architect or designer can save you a lot of money and stress by helping you to plan your work in advance so you get it right the first time," they say.

Nick has some advice for the residents of the Heights. He says, "A master plan is very important." He also encourages maintaining your property. Keeping up on annual maintenance is important to avoid costly repairs in the future. Items that need to be maintained include the HVAC, water heaters, roof, paint, water flow from gutters to drains, and ventilation under the house.

For more information on Bungalow Revival, check out their website, www.bungalowrevival.com.