

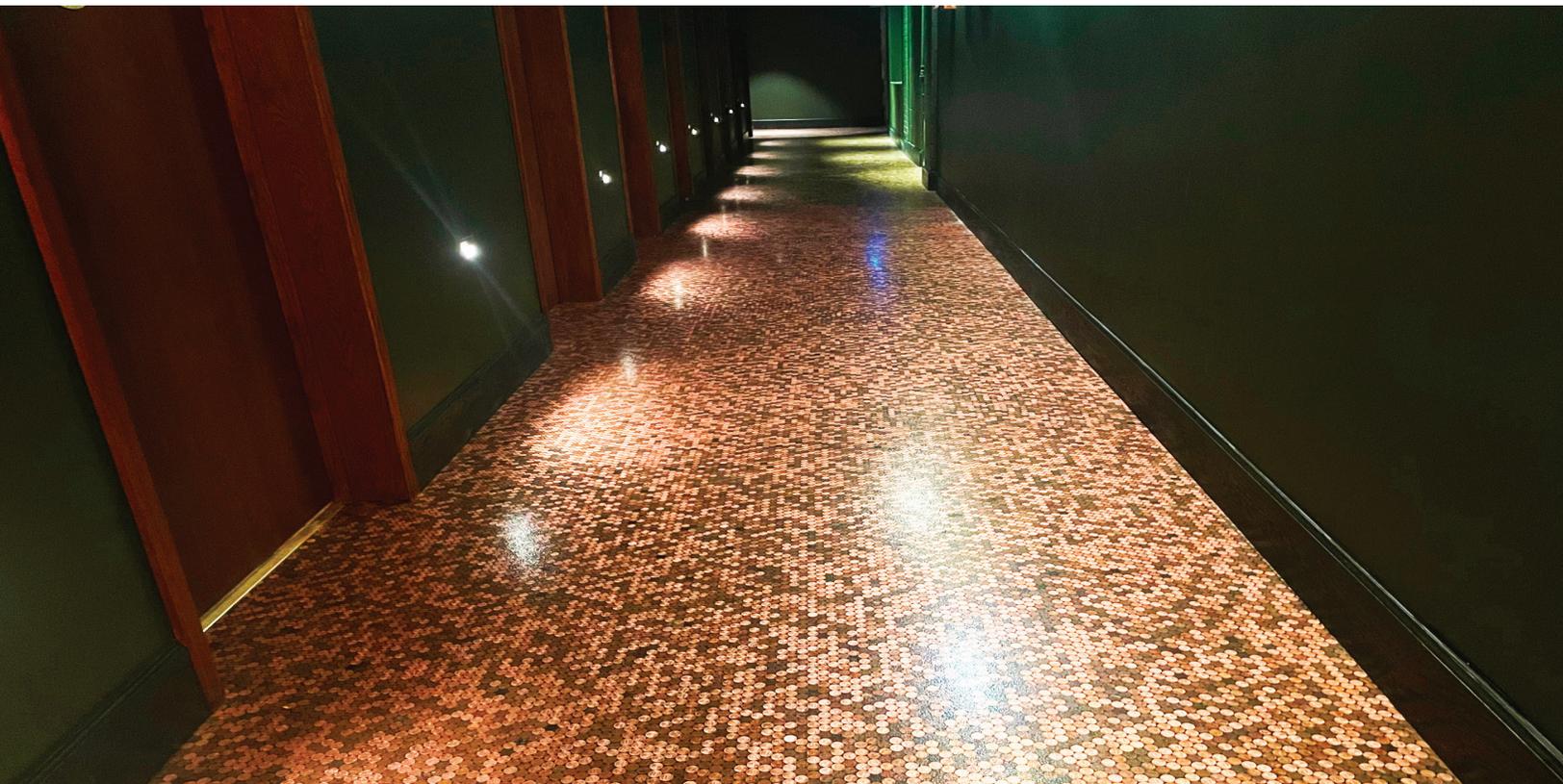
Liquid Elements helps famed Minneapolis restaurant roar back to life with unique Capture flooring

Tucked away in Minneapolis's North Loop warehouse district is a recently resurrected American eatery, Butcher and the Boar. Offering upscale dining and a meat-focused menu, the restaurant is helmed by owners who sought to transform the establishment after a brief shutdown during the pandemic.

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Part of this transformation called for the installation of new flooring and the desire to incorporate elements of the existing restaurant's exotic decorations to honor the vision of long-time and original Butcher and the Boar Chef Jack Rieble. This included reimagining a floor sealed with small patches of pennies into a new surface of wall-to-wall pennies that patrons and staff could walk over – or stop and stare in amazement.

Liquid Elements' Capture poured-in-place epoxy flooring features a reflective surface that encapsulates elements inside its rich, thick resin. A resilient floor, Capture features comfort underfoot, an important consideration in any hospitality setting. It is also easy to clean and exceptionally durable in high-traffic environments. The owners agreed it was the perfect way to accomplish their vision.



The crews began by building up the restaurant's existing bare concrete substrate with Stonclad GS, a troweled epoxy mortar system. This allowed for a cleaner transition between the tiled bathrooms and the new corridor flooring. Next came the herculean task of laying approximately 145,000 U.S. currency pennies across 419 sq. ft. of canvas in the eatery's hallway corridors.

With the physical and logistical challenge of laying 100-125 sq. ft. of pennies in a given 8-hour period, installers worked tirelessly to carefully place the coins in rows over three days.

After placement, the floor was ready for two coats of flex epoxy seal. Stonseal SK6-GT, a gloss microtexture finish, gives the floor its final texture and smooth, glass-like appearance while increasing abrasion, chemical, and stain resistance and improving cleanability.

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If customers can drag themselves away from the mouth-watering charred meats and smokey amber-hued glasses of whiskey, they will be delighted to view the space-defining and soon-to-be legendary penny floor at Butcher and the Boar, located at North 3rd street in Minneapolis, MN.



Liquid Elements, artfully poured floors, partners with the architectural and design community to support specifications and offer single source floor solutions. Liquid Elements is a brand of Stonhard, providing more than a century as both manufacturer and installer of seamless floors. Matte or gloss, swanky glitter, softly swirled metallic to clean, modern designs, Liquid Elements floors combine dramatic design with performance for commercial interior spaces.

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