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**NEW WOLFGANG PUCK GOURMET EXPRESS, STARBUCKS, AND JOHNNY ROCKETS
DELIGHT TRAVELERS AT BOSTON LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

Celebrity Chef Wolfgang Puck Dedicates His First Boston Express Restaurant

BETHESDA, MD, MAY 5, 2006 – HMSHost Corporation, one of world's leading providers of food, beverage and retail concessions to the travel industry, celebrated the official grand opening of the ***Wolfgang Puck Gourmet Express, Starbucks® coffee, and Johnny Rockets*** – all favorites of Boston Logan International Airport travelers. World-renown chef and restaurateur, Wolfgang Puck, participated in the ribbon cutting and signed copies of his latest book at his restaurant, which has been open to the public since Valentine's Day and complements an exciting lineup of dining options in the Terminal C, Pier C Concourse.

Wolfgang Puck Gourmet Express sets a bold, new standard in fast casual dining with an affordable range of prepared-to-order, hand-crafted foods. "Partnering with HMSHost to open my first Wolfgang Puck Gourmet Express in Boston is the perfect way to offer my authentic recipes and signature dishes to busy travelers who want to enjoy fresh, quality food at affordable prices," said Chef Puck.



Celebrating the Wolfgang Puck Gourmet Express grand opening are (from left to right) Elie Maalouf, President & CEO of HMSHost, Craig Coy, Massport CEO, and Wolfgang Puck.

JetBlue's growing operation at Boston Logan is bringing large numbers of passengers to Terminal C's, Pier C concourse, the airline's base of operations, and HMSHost wants to be sure that no one leaves hungry. Chef Puck teamed up with HMSHost to bring his distinctive gourmet cooking to JetBlue travelers. The menu will include unique specialty sandwiches, Wolfgang's signature soups, Spago's Famous Chinois Chicken Salad, and a variety of his celebrated gourmet pizzas.

Logan International Airport is one of the leading airports in the United States, serving more than 27 million passengers annually. It is New England's largest transportation center, encompassing approximately 2,400 acres in East Boston, Massachusetts and stimulating the local economy by approximately \$7 billion per year.

In addition to Wolfgang Puck Gourmet Express, the food court offerings include some of the nation's favorite concepts, such as:

» **Starbucks® coffee.** The world's most popular coffee brand, Starbucks is the leading retailer and roaster of specialty coffee. The food-court location offers Starbucks's full line of beverages, a wide selection of pastries, sandwiches, salads and fresh roasted coffee by the pound.

» **Johnny Rockets.** This popular concept boasts great-tasting food from a menu of all-American favorites including juicy hamburgers, hand-dipped shakes and malts and freshly-baked apple pie. Grown-ups and children of all ages will enjoy a fun retro 50's diner look and feel.

"This new food court is an outstanding benefit for JetBlue passengers," said Thomas Kinton, Massport's Director of Aviation. "HMSHost is working with some of the industry's best brands to provide exceptional dining experiences and insure that travelers will depart in style. HMSHost and Massport are working with JetBlue on additional convenience innovations such as flight information displays within the seating area, and ultimately, the ability to pre-order meals from the JetBlue kiosks at check-in."

Elie Maalouf, President and CEO of HMSHost, agrees. "Massport and JetBlue invested a lot to modernize the concourse and we at HMSHost want to be sure their passengers enjoy superior food and beverage choices as well. HMSHost is very excited to be part of this important phase of Logan Airport's re-development, and we look forward to a bright future serving and delighting each traveler."

About HMSHost

HMSHost is world-renowned for creating innovative concession plans in travel venues. The company operates in more than 70 airport locations around the globe, including 18 of the 20 busiest airports in North America. HMSHost has annual sales in excess of \$2.0 billion and employs more than 26,000 associates worldwide. A wholly owned subsidiary of Autogrill S.p.A, HMSHost and the rest of the Autogrill Group are recognized leaders in retail and food and beverage concessions serving people on the move. With operations in 26 countries, the combined Group has annual revenues exceeding \$4.0 billion.