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HMSHOST CELEBRATES LOCAL FLORIDA LIFESTYLE AND FLAVOR AT JACKSONVILLE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

15-Year Lease Extension Includes New Restaurants and Terminal Upgrades

BETHESDA, MD – HMSHost Corporation, a world leader in travel dining and shopping, was recently awarded a 15-year lease extension at the Jacksonville International Airport. Further solidifying HMSHost's stake in Florida-based airports, the recent lease extension marks the seventh airport in Florida with operations run by the company.

In conjunction with the lease extension, HMSHost announced plans to open 13 new eateries that will provide travelers with delicious food and relaxing environments that celebrate the down-home cooking and laid back lifestyle for which Florida is known.

“When HMSHost recommended the opening of more sit-down dining options past security at Jacksonville International Airport, we jumped at the chance,” said Susan Sallet, the Director of Business Development for the Jacksonville Aviation Authority. “We are excited to work with HMSHost to bring fun, local eateries to the airport so travelers can enjoy a delicious meal in a relaxing, comfortable environment while they are waiting for their flights.”

A few of the most highly-anticipated restaurant openings celebrating the city of Jacksonville's rich history and world-renowned golf include *Sam Snead's Tavern* and *Sam Adams® Toasts Jacksonville*.

Delicious meals and a great line-drive combine at *Sam Snead's Tavern*, while paying tribute to one of the best golfers of all time. Sam Snead's Tavern honors the golf legend with eye-catching memorabilia in a casual tavern environment. Travelers can enjoy a quick snack between games in the clubhouse with renowned specialty grill items such as chicken, ribs, seafood and beef, light salads and sandwiches, tempting desserts and a full bar.



Sam Snead's Tavern

HMSHost will continue to salute the city of Jacksonville and celebrate the local flavor even further with *Sam Adams® Toasts Jacksonville*. This sophisticated brew-house not only offers great food selections, but will showcase photographs of notable Jacksonville landmarks and will feature award-winning Samuel Adams craft beers.

Additional eatery upgrades will also include several sports-themed bars including *Budweiser Racing Track Bar & Grill*, a casual eatery designed to honor the NASCAR phenomenon in a unique, high-energy and fast-paced atmosphere with framed memorabilia, live racing and sports coverage, and a classic menu of food and drink bar favorites. HMSHost will also bring the contemporary and hip sports-themed *Budweiser Stadium Club* to Jacksonville -- complete with media wall to keep visitors apprised of the latest sports and travel infotainment.

In addition to unveiling many new restaurants at Jacksonville International Airport, HMSHost will phase in upgrades to existing eateries to coincide with construction of the new concourses. "We are thrilled to bring travelers of Jacksonville a lively and unique dining experience," said Jeff Yablun, senior vice president, Food & Beverage Operations for HMSHost.

Also coming soon will be a varied selection of new casual dining and choice fast food concepts such as *Chili's, Quiznos, Nathan's, Freshens and Starbucks*. Enhancements to reflect the new upgrades to the airport will also be made to existing *Starbucks* and *Sbarro*. These new concepts will complement HMSHost's existing dining facilities at Jacksonville International Airport which include the ever-popular *Burger King* and *Cinnabon*.

About HMSHost

HMSHost is world-renowned for creating customized shopping and dining spaces in travel venues. The innovative company operates in more than 100 airport locations around the globe, including 19 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 Autogrill Group are recognized leaders in travel amenities. With sales exceeding \$4.0 billion, Autogrill is present in 30 countries with over 4,500 points of sale in 979 locations (including 138 airports and 645 motorways) where 51,000 employees serve over 800 million customers every year.

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