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Smok'n Pig BBQ, Valdosta, Georgia

Macon Mall Signs New Restaurant Tenant

Macon, GA (June 9, 2011) – Ky Widener, Vice President of Leasing for Hull Storey Gibson Companies, LLC, couldn't have said it any better: "Macon Mall hit one out of the park with this one" when referring to the new restaurant tenant that recently signed a lease for space in the Macon Mall. Pat O'Neal, the owner of Smok'n Pig BBQ, in conjunction with representatives from Hull Storey Gibson, held a press conference to announce the lease signing. According to Mr. Widener, "It is a real coup to sign Smok'n Pig BBQ at Macon Mall. There are a number of other Macon locations that could accommodate this great restaurant, but Smok'n Pig chose to be part of the upcoming redevelopment and renovation of the only enclosed regional mall in Central Georgia. Mr. O'Neal also recognized the great value of exposure to the 75,000 vehicles a day that travel the bordering roads around the Macon Mall."

Macon Mall will begin a major redevelopment and renovation shortly, and Widener stated that, "we believe the Smok'n Pig's opening will be the beginning of a transformation of the new Macon Mall."

John Gibson, Member Manager of Hull Storey Gibson, said "Macon Mall is so pleased to welcome Smok'n Pig as its newest tenant. Pat O'Neal's restaurants are legendary throughout the southeast, and Smok'n Pig BBQ has been named one of the "Top 10 in the Country". In addition to great food, the restaurant also carries an assortment of t-shirts

and hats that have gained widespread popularity in South Georgia. These fun clothing accessories will also be sold from the new Macon location. This great family restaurant will add to the overall ambiance of the property and will serve as a catalyst to encourage other prospective tenants to come to the mall.”

Pat O’Neal, owner of Smok’n Pig BBQ and Ole Times Country Buffet in Macon and 8 other locations, said “We are looking forward to entering the Macon market and expect great things from this venture. We hope that all the people of Macon, Warner Robbins, and the surrounding communities will visit us for the best barbecue in town once we open for business.”

Gibson stated that the construction build-out for the restaurant will take approximately five months and will employ up to 150 people. Smok’n Pig will be the first of several new tenants to locate to the Macon Mall. Other prospective tenants are expected to announce the signing of new leases soon. As part of the planned renovation of the Macon Mall, several existing tenants have already relocated or are in the process of moving to the west wing of the property. Those tenants include rue21, Jimmy Jazz, Finish Line, Spencers, Kids Footlocker, and Bourbon Street Grill. It is also anticipated that Vision Savers and Petland will join their neighbors in new locations of the west wing of the mall soon.

The corporate office of Smok’n Pig BBQ and Ole Times Country Buffet (www.smoknpig.com and www.ole-times.com) is located in Valdosta, Georgia. The new restaurant at the Macon Mall will be the tenth restaurant location for the family business. Their goal is “to be that gathering place with a southern tradition and old time Bar-B-Q with freshly prepared country cookin just like Grandpa used to do back in the day.”

Headquartered in Augusta, Ga., Hull Storey Gibson Companies, LLC (www.hullstoreygibson.com) is one of the largest owners of retail properties in the Southeast with a portfolio of over 11.5 million square feet, including 18 enclosed malls in North & South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Texas and Florida. Hull Storey Gibson has a consistent record of property redevelopment and improvement as well as a demonstrated commitment to building strong community relationships to foster economic development.

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