

# News Release

## **Detroit Metropolitan Airport's North Terminal welcomes three new restaurants**

**DETROIT (June 6, 2019)** – Three restaurants recently opened for business in Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport's (DTW) North Terminal. The restaurants include: *Cantoro Italian Market Trattoria*, a local, family owned and operated Italian market crossed with a modern corner store; *Air Margaritaville*, Jimmy Buffett's airport restaurant with a local twist, *Detroit Street Café featuring Zingerman's Coffee*; and *Atwater Brewery*, a Detroit favorite, that debuted downtown in 1997 with the mission to bring German brew-styles to the area.

The restaurants are the first of a phased dining redevelopment project to open. Cantoro Italian Market Trattoria opened on April 18 and is located pre-security in baggage claim. Atwater Brewery opened on June 1 and Air Margaritaville & Detroit Street Café featuring Zingerman's Coffee opened on June 5.

"It is an exciting time at Detroit Metropolitan Airport," said Wayne County Airport Authority CEO Chad Newton. "Our employees and customers have been looking forward to the redevelopment of our North Terminal dining options. We are happy to work in collaboration with our concessionaires to offer a taste of our region to all who walk through our terminal."

The nearly \$21 million transformation includes 15 food and beverage concepts, many of them Metro Detroit favorites. The restaurants will be operated by four concessionaires (HMSHost; DTW North Partners, LLC; NAC-MAC Concessions, LLC and McDonald's USA) who exceeded the Airport Authority's requirements for partnering with ACDBEs – Airport Concessions Disadvantaged Business Enterprises. The ACDBEs for the North Terminal food and beverage program are: AP United, LLC; AJA & Associates, LLC; Ellis Infinity, LLC; Jamjomar VIII, LLC; Rodriquez Group, LLC and W & W Diversified Services, Inc.

"HMSHost and our partners, AJA & Associates and Ellis Infinity, are thrilled to work with the Wayne County Airport Authority to bring Cantoro Italian Market to Detroit Metropolitan Airport," said HMSHost Vice President of Business Development Kent Vanden Oever. "Not only does Cantoro bring a sense of Detroit into the airport, it brings the best of a long-standing Italian corner store and family restaurant with a modern twist for people to enjoy in the airport's pre-security area."

"When people fly into DTW, our airport is their first glimpse of who we are as a state, region and cities," said Paradies Lagardere Dining Division Partner Tanya Allen. "Paradies Lagardere Dining Division takes this very seriously. We have great local and national concepts. Air Margaritaville Detroit is the third airport Margaritaville in the country. Zingerman's Coffee is uniquely included within that location. Atwater Brewery is a Detroit favorite and sure to capture a loyal following. 2019 is going to be an exceptionally good year for traveling at DTW's North Terminal."

To ensure a variety of food options will be available at all times for customers, the transformation is divided into four phases. The second phase, which includes MOD Pizza, National Coney Island, and Starbucks is expected to be completed this summer.

***Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW)** welcomed more than 35 million passengers in 2018 and is one of the world's leading air transportation hubs. With service from 13 scheduled passenger airlines, Michigan's largest airport offers approximately 1,100 flights per day to and from more than 140 nonstop destinations on four continents. With two award-winning passenger terminals, six jet runways, and an onsite AAA Four-Diamond Westin Hotel, DTW is among the world's most efficient, customer friendly and operationally capable airports in North America. DTW is operated by the **Wayne County Airport Authority**, which also operates nearby **Willow Run Airport** – an important corporate, cargo and general aviation facility. **The Airport Authority is entirely self-sustaining and does not receive tax dollars to support airport operations.** Visit [www.metroairport.com](http://www.metroairport.com) for more information.*

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