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INVESTMENT TO SUPPORT MANAGEMENT BUYOUT OF SAUCE PIZZA & WINE ANNOUNCED

PNC Mezzanine Capital ("PNC MC") announced today a \$10 million investment to support the acquisition of Sauce Pizza & Wine ("Sauce" or the "Company") by Phoenix-restaurateur, Scott Kilpatrick and The Belfer Group, an Arizona-based family investment office. Mr. Kilpatrick, who will serve as the Company's CEO, was one of the founders of RA Sushi, a 27 location national sushi-restaurant. Together, Mr. Kilpatrick and PNC MC plan to invest in Sauce's current locations as well as grow the business by opening new locations in Arizona and expanding the Company's geographic footprint.

"Sauce Pizza & Wine is an exceptionally strong brand, and we see significant opportunity for growth," Mr. Kilpatrick said in a statement. "As we move forward, we are committed to making the quality of food and service our No. 1 priority. Most importantly, we are dedicated to the long-term success of Sauce Pizza & Wine."

"Fox Restaurant Concepts (Sauce's founder and prior owner) did a tremendous job creating and developing an innovative and dynamic brand" said Douglas Brosius, Partner at PNC Mezzanine Capital. "We are excited to partner with Mr. Kilpatrick on this opportunity to support the next phase of the Company's growth."

ABOUT PNC MEZZANINE CAPITAL

PNC Mezzanine Capital is focused on financing buyouts, recapitalizations and consolidation strategies for companies in a wide range of industries, including business services, niche manufacturing and value-added distribution. Since 1989, PNC Mezzanine Capital has been a stable, thoughtful mezzanine partner for sponsor groups, entrepreneurs and management teams. Our approach has been to underwrite the long-term business strategy of our portfolio companies allowing us to respond constructively to the opportunities and challenges of the changing business environment. As a result, PNC Mezzanine Capital has made 131 investments in 73 companies, in support of 229 transactions. We seek to invest \$10 million to \$40 million in subordinated debt and equity in companies with strong management teams, proven business models and stable cash flows with a clear avenue for growth.

ABOUT SAUCE

Sauce, founded in 2003, is a fast-casual Italian restaurant concept offering freshly prepared pizza, pasta, salad and sandwiches for lunch and dinner. The Company owns and operates six locations in Phoenix, AZ, three locations in Tucson, AZ, and has a tenth location at the Phoenix airport. The concept is a favorite destination for families, young singles and business professionals seeking high-quality Italian cuisine in a relaxed over-the-counter atmosphere. For more information, please visit www.saucepizzaandwine.com.

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