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Capitol Café Welcomes Downtown Customers & Capitol Crowd

New coffee shop officially opens on 10th and Congress Avenue

AUSTIN, Texas (Feb. 3, 2023) - A new Capitol-themed coffee, beer and wine lounge opens its doors to customers on Friday, February 3. The aptly named Capitol Café serves up grab-and-go food, Texas-sourced coffee, local beer and select wine just one block from the State House. The Café is the brainchild of former State Rep. Dan Huberty (R-Humble).

“For the people who visit or serve in our State Capitol, we created an inviting space within walking distance for great coffee and food during the day and a place to meet up after work. As a Capitol veteran myself, I’m looking forward to Capitol Café becoming a convenient, friendly gathering spot and welcoming friends, colleagues and visitors to Austin,” said Dan Huberty, managing partner of the Capitol Café.

Huberty conceptualized the Capitol Café as a place for Texas legislators, policy advocates and press corps members to gather. He and his daughter, Brianna, worked together to launch the shop just in time for the 88th Texas Legislative Session.

“The Capitol Café team is eager to welcome visitors. From the specially crafted furniture to portraits of legislators taken over more than a decade by 19 different Capitol photographers, we invested our hearts into incorporating the Capitol into every inch of the café,” said Brianna Huberty, operating partner and general manager of the Capitol Café.

A family endeavor, the Café includes three generations of the Huberty family – Dan, managing partner, his father, Richard, an investor, and Dan’s daughter, Brianna, as general manager. Two generations of the Gilcrease family are also represented - Buck Gilcrease, an investor, and his son, Ross, a manager.

“When we looked at the busy downtown area around the Capitol, we saw a coffee desert. There weren’t a lot of great options for Capitol workers, visitors and residents so we set out to create a

place with great coffee and snacks that is welcoming for everyone. This is an endeavor close to our hearts and we're grateful for the chance to share it with Texans," said Buck Gilcrease, investor.

Other investors in the café include former State Rep. Jim Keffer (R-Eastland) and Ed Simmons. Along with Brianna and Ross, Jonathan Crosby will serve as the third Capitol Café manager.

The Capitol Café is located at the corner of 10th Street and Congress Avenue. It is open Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and will offer several unique coffee blends. Additionally, the café is looking to expand its workforce. Anyone interested in applying is asked to call (512) 503-1785.

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