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**OXFORD ANNOUNCES PHIL STEFANI TO OPEN NEW RESTAURANT AT THOMPSON CHICAGO**

*Less than a year after Tavern on Rush closes, Phil Stefani Signature Restaurants announces new opening across the street from their iconic restaurant*

**(CHICAGO, IL | July 26, 2023)** – Chicago-based international real estate and hospitality investment leader **Oxford Capital Group, LLC**, through its wholly owned subsidiary **Oxford Hotels & Resorts, LLC**, along with Macquarie Capital Principal Finance and Chicago-based **Stefani Restaurant Group**, are thrilled to announce they will break ground on their new restaurant inside of **Thompson Chicago**, the chic hotel in the heart of Gold Coast (21 E Bellevue Pl.), later this fall.

“Our team at Oxford has developed, owned and operated properties on Chicago’s North Side for years and we couldn’t be more thrilled to work with hospitably industry veteran Phil Stefani as he reclaims the same intersection that his team has called home for the past 25 years,” says John W. Rutledge, Founder, Chairman, and CEO of Oxford Capital Group, LLC and Oxford Hotels & Resorts, LLC. “The new, elevated space will occupy about 16,000 square feet and have a patio on the ground level of Thompson Chicago.”

“To be able to work with Stefani Restaurant Group as they open a new space in the heart of the Gold Coast is truly an honor,” says Stefanie Hrejsa, general manager of Thompson Chicago. “Guests of our hotel won’t even have to step outside to have what we’re sure will be one of the best meals – and experiences - in Chicago.”

“Since closing Tavern on Rush in October, customers have been clamoring to say how much they miss us and that a Stefani Restaurant Group establishment belongs on Rush and Bellevue,” says Phil Stefani, owner of Stefani Restaurant Group. “We are excited to partner with the Thompson Hotel Chicago, our neighbor for nearly a decade, on a restaurant concept that fits the space, the neighborhood and the high-quality dining experience fans of Tavern have been missing. We look forward to coming home next year and hope to see our friends and customers return as well.”

The new concept hopes to open its doors on the ground floor of The Thompson Chicago next spring. Guests can look forward to brunch, lunch, and dinner offerings. For more information and updates on the progress, follow The Thompson Chicago on social media at (@ThompsonChicago on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#)) and Stefani Restaurant Group

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### **About Thompson Chicago**

Thompson Chicago is an award-winning hotel featuring 247 guestrooms and interiors by renowned British designer Tara Bernerd & Partners. The hotel boasts stunning views of both Lake Michigan and the city and is just steps away from Michigan Avenue, boutiques on Oak Street, and downtown's finest dining and nightlife destinations. Thompson Chicago also features 12,000 square feet of meeting, pre-function and catering space, accommodating up to 200 guests. In addition, the property offers private dining rooms and a reception area, as well as six two-level penthouse lofts. Follow @ThompsonChicago on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for news and updates. For additional information and to make reservations please visit [www.thompsonhotels.com/hotels/thompson-chicago](http://www.thompsonhotels.com/hotels/thompson-chicago).

### **About Oxford Capital Group, LLC & Oxford Hotels & Resorts, LLC**

Chicago based Oxford Capital Group, LLC is an award-winning international real estate investment, development, and management firm that focuses on large-scale acquisitions, developments, redevelopments, and operationally intensive real estate. Oxford, its affiliates, and principals have been involved in over \$4 billion of real estate and private equity investments, with a primary focus on hospitality (16,000+ hotel rooms); hospitality anchored mixed use projects including multi-family (2,000+ units); senior housing (3,000+ units); urban retail; and parking. Oxford Hotels & Resorts, LLC is its wholly owned hotel management affiliate, which specializes in operating, managing, and branding distinctive, high design luxury lifestyle hotels, and food & beverage venues. Oxford Living, LLC is its senior housing investment and management platform. Oxford Residential, LLC is its multi-family development affiliate.

### **About Macquarie Capital Principal Finance**

Macquarie Capital Principal Finance, the financing and principal investing arm of Macquarie Capital, makes investments from Macquarie's balance sheet and provides flexible primary financing and secondary market investing solutions for corporate and commercial real estate clients across North America, Europe and Australasia.

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### **About Stefani Restaurant Group**

Family owned and operated Stefani Restaurant Group has been delivering quality cuisine and top-notch service for more than 40 years. A staple of the Chicago dining scene, Stefani Restaurant Group operates such local favorites as Stefani Prime, Bar Cargo, Tuscany Restaurant, and Broken English Taco Pub, and offers world-class catering through Inspired Catering and Events.

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