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LANDRY'S CONCEPTS SUPPORT LOCAL CENTER IN FIGHT AGAINST CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE
Area restaurants partner with Texas Heart Institute to celebrate 50 years of dedication and success

HOUSTON, TX – Landry's is excited to announce their role in the fight against cardiovascular disease through upcoming diner donations. In conjunction with the Texas Heart Institute's 50th anniversary, guests who dine at any of the over 60 Landry's restaurants located in the Houston, Kemah and Galveston area will have the opportunity to make a donation upon receipt of their dinner check.

"Landry's counts it an honor to partner with Texas Heart Institute to pay tribute to both their 50th anniversary and the many significant medical advances accomplished at this world renowned Institute," remarked Tilman J. Fertitta, sole owner, president and CEO of Landry's, Inc. "We hope to encourage Landry's patrons to take advantage of this philanthropic opportunity while enjoying their favorite area restaurants."

Landry's is committed to supporting the Texas Heart Institute at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital as it continues to work to reduce the devastating toll of cardiovascular disease. Dedicated to heart healthy initiatives, Landry's provides heart healthy options at many of their concepts, including substitutions upon request. Beginning this Saturday, September 15, through Saturday, November 3, Landry's will conduct an in-store campaign through which guests at participating restaurants can contribute \$1, \$3 or \$5 to support the nonprofit Texas Heart Institute. All money raised will benefit the innovative programs in research, education and improved patient care at the center. Following the donation period, Landry's will match the total sum of donations up to \$100K.

Texas Heart Institute will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a gala to mark the occasion on Tuesday, September 18 at 7 p.m. at the Westin Galleria Hotel ballroom. Texas Heart Institute Founder Dr. Denton A. Cooley will be honored for his foundational work leading to the knowledge and discoveries that have advanced the progress against heart disease, the leading cause of death in the United States. In addition, President and Medical Director Dr. James T. Willerson will be

honored as he leads the Institute into the next era of reducing and ultimately preventing the devastating toll of heart disease.

Former U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker will introduce Dr. Cooley with former U.S. Secretary of Commerce Don Evans serving as MC for the evening. Also in attendance will be various dignitaries including former board Chairman Meredith Long, current Chairman Steve Miller, advisory board members Nolan Ryan and Hakeem Olajuwon, Texas Governor Rick Perry and many others. In addition, a special surprise musical guest will provide entertainment at the gala.

“Texas Heart Institute is honored that Landry’s has partnered with us to both mark our 50th anniversary and support our efforts to save and improve lives affected by heart and vascular disease,” stated Dr. James T. Willerson, Texas Heart Institute President and Medical Director. “This allows Landry’s customers to ‘dine out and do good’ while enjoying a meal at their favorite Landry’s restaurant.”

Landry’s restaurants are recognized nationwide for their delicious menus and boast items that guarantee a fine dining experience. Area concepts participating in the donation drive include: Babin’s, Brenner’s On The Bayou, Brenner’s Steakhouse, Bubba Gump Shrimp Co., Cadillac Bar, Downtown Aquarium, Fisherman’s Wharf, Fish Tales, Flying Dutchman, Grotto, Joe’s Crab Shack – Kemah, Kemah Aquarium, La Griglia, Landry’s Seafood, McCormick & Schmick’s Seafood and Steaks, Morton’s The Steakhouse, Rainforest Café, Red Sushi, Saltgrass Steak House, The Flying Dutchman, The Oceanaire Seafood Room, Vic & Anthony’s and Willie G’s.

ABOUT LANDRY’S, INC

Landry's is a national, diversified restaurant, hospitality and entertainment company principally engaged in the ownership and operation of high end and casual dining restaurants, primarily under the names of Landry's Seafood House, Rainforest Cafe, McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant, The Chart House, Bubba Gump Shrimp Co., Claim Jumper, Saltgrass Steak House and Oceanaire, as well as a fine dining signature group of restaurants: Morton's Steakhouse, Vic & Anthony's, Grotto, Willie G's and others. The Company is also engaged in the ownership and operation of gaming, hospitality and entertainment businesses, including the Golden Nugget Hotel & Casinos in Las Vegas and Laughlin, Nevada, and Atlantic City, the Kemah Boardwalk, the San Luis Resort Complex, and the Downtown Aquariums in Denver and Houston. Landry's and Mr. Fertitta's affiliated companies will generate approximately \$2.5 billion in revenues in 2012.

ABOUT TEXAS HEART® INSTITUTE

The Texas Heart Institute (www.texasheart.org), founded by world-renowned cardiovascular surgeon Dr. Denton A. Cooley in 1962, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to reducing the devastating toll of cardiovascular disease through innovative and progressive programs in

research, education and improved patient care. Together with its clinical partner, St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, it has been ranked among the top 10 cardiovascular centers in the United States by U.S. News & World Report's annual guide to "America's Best Hospitals" for the past 22 years. The Texas Heart Institute is also affiliated with the University of Texas (UT) System, which promotes collaboration in cardiovascular research and education among UT and THI faculty at the Texas Heart Institute and other UT components.

THI was the site of the first human heart transplant in the U.S., the world's first implantation of an artificial heart and many other ground-breaking advances in cardiac medicine over the last 50 years.

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