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MEDIA ALERT

Two ShopRites Re-open after Destruction from Looting
Community shares in prayer and celebration

PHILADELPHIA, PA (June 5 / June 8, 2020) – Two ShopRite Supermarkets, operated by the Brown family, will re-open after tremendous destruction due to looting. The stores located in the Allegheny West and Parkside communities of the city fell victim to widespread looting. The stores were ransacked for extended periods of time allowing looters to pillage and destroy necessary systems to operate each store. Nevertheless, with the help of neighbors, vendors, Wakefern Food Corporation and determined employees working tirelessly over the last week, both stores will re-open their doors again. The openings will take place as follows:

The ShopRite of Fox Street located at Fox & Roberts Streets is scheduled for Friday, June 5th at 10:00 am for celebration and opening

The ShopRite of Parkside located at ParkWest Town Center is scheduled for Monday, June 8th at 10:00am (this store will actually open Sunday, June 7th at 7:00am)

These stores have been open in these two communities, serving as an oasis in what were both food desert neighborhoods for 8 and 13 years, respectively. As a result, shoppers were left without a supermarket to supply them with food, medicine and their necessary basic needs for their families. The outpouring of love and support to the Brown family has been overwhelming during this difficult time with offers from customers, clergy, and community members to help repair the damage so the stores may operate once again.

“Our family is deeply committed to these communities and would not walk away and leave these neighborhoods without a supermarket to rely on,” said Jeff Brown, President & CEO of Brown’s Super Stores that operates these stores. “We know how the neighborhoods depend on us for their livelihood, not only for food, but also for jobs and other assistance. While this has been a traumatic time for all, with our employees being essential workers and struggling through the pandemic and now these looting incidents, we are proud of the unbelievable efforts to get these stores re-opened.”

The openings will begin with a prayer from local clergy and then have a celebration with the community and store associates. We thank everyone who has offered prayers and emotional support.

Who: Jeff and Sandy Brown, Brown’s Super Stores, Inc.

What: Re-opening of ShopRite Supermarkets

When: **ShopRite of Fox Street on June 5, 2020 at 10:00am**

ShopRite of Parkside on June 8, 2020 at 10:00am

(store will actually open on the 7th but this will be prayer/celebration)

Where: ShopRite of Fox Street
Fox & Roberts Streets
Philadelphia, PA

ShopRite of Parkside
1575 N. 52nd Street (intersection of Parkside & Jefferson Ave)
Philadelphia, PA

About Brown’s Super Stores

Brown’s Super Stores is a family owned and operated supermarket chain of 10 Philadelphia area ShopRite supermarkets and 2 Fresh Grocer supermarkets, and was founded in 1988 by President and CEO Jeffrey Brown. Brown’s is headquartered in Westville, New Jersey. The Company is well known for its state-of-the-art supermarkets that are spotlessly clean, offering a wide variety of fresh food, low prices and friendly customer service. Brown’s has been well recognized for its dedication to the communities it serves and was recognized by The White House for its efforts in serving urban communities who lack affordable, fresh and healthy food. Brown’s most recent efforts have included programs for the training and hiring of those who were previously incarcerated and a focus on wellness for the various communities they do business in. For more information, please visit us at www.brownschefsmarket.com

About ShopRite

ShopRite is the registered trademark of Wakefern Food Corp., a retailer-owned cooperative based in Keasbey, NJ, and the largest supermarket cooperative in the United States. With more than 270 ShopRite supermarkets located throughout New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Delaware and Maryland, ShopRite serves more than six million customers each week. Through its ShopRite Partners In Caring program, ShopRite is dedicated to fighting hunger in the communities it serves. Since the program began in 1999, ShopRite Partners In Caring has donated \$43 million to food banks that support more than 2,200 worthy charities. As a title sponsor of the ShopRite LPGA Classic Presented by Acer, ShopRite has donated \$30 million to local organizations, hospitals and community groups. For more information, please visit www.shoprite.com.

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