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Lowes Foods to Open Stores in Lexington, South Carolina and Waxhaw, North Carolina

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (JAN 17, 2024)—Lowes Foods, a Carolinas based grocer headquartered in Winston-Salem, has signed leases for two new stores. One store will be in Lexington, South Carolina at the Northeast corner of Platt Springs Road and South Lake Drive. The other store will be in Waxhaw, North Carolina at the Southwest corner of Providence Road and Prescott Glenn Parkway. Construction and opening schedules have not been determined.

The two new stores are in addition to the previously announced Lowes Foods stores coming to Aiken, South Carolina; Concord, North Carolina; Indian Land, South Carolina; Kannapolis, North Carolina; Marble Hill, Georgia; Summerville, South Carolina; and Winterville, North Carolina.

“We are entering a period of growth for Lowes Foods as we move into Georgia and continue to expand within our footprint in North and South Carolina,” Tim Lowe, Head of Retail, Alex Lee and President, Lowes Foods said. “The Marble Hill store in Georgia is a former IGA and is now under construction. It will likely be among the first of the new group of stores and will open this summer.

“Our growth in the Charlotte market is particularly exciting to us,” Lowe added. “We currently have three stores in the Charlotte market in Mooresville, Huntersville, and Harrisburg. With the four new stores, the number of Lowes Foods will become seven in the Charlotte market. We look forward to serving store guests at all our new locations and showcasing Lowes Foods’ passion for the local community.”

About Lowes Foods, LLC

Founded in 1954, Lowes Foods employs nearly 9,000 people and operates 81 full-service supermarkets in the Carolinas. Locally owned and operated, Lowes Foods is truly a homegrown company committed to bringing community back to the table, by providing customers with the freshest and most innovative local products from local suppliers. The company maintains a strong focus on exceptional attention to our guests, with services like Lowes Foods-To-Go personal shopping and gas rewards discounts. To learn more, visit lowesfoods.com or follow Lowes Foods on Facebook or Twitter. Lowes Foods, LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alex Lee, Inc.

About Alex Lee, Inc.

Founded in 1931, Alex Lee is a family-owned and operated company that employs approximately 15,000 people. It serves as the parent company of Merchants Distributors, LLC, which provides full-service, wholesale distribution to supermarkets, Souto Foods, a distributor of authentic Hispanic foods, and Import Mex, a distributor of Mexican and Central American products. Alex Lee is also the parent

company of Lowes Foods, which includes 82 full-service grocery stores in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. In addition, Alex Lee, Inc. is the parent company of W. Lee Flowers & Company, which operates approximately 60 IGA and KJ's Market grocery stores and provides wholesale distribution to supermarkets. Alex Lee, Inc. is based in Hickory, NC. For more information, please visit alexlee.com.

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