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**Chef Todd English Announces Opening of Olives Restaurant at
Virgin Hotels Las Vegas**

Celebrity Chef Expands Culinary Foothold in Nevada

LAS VEGAS (August 4, 2021) – Four-time James Beard award winner and celebrity chef **Todd English** today announced the opening of his latest restaurant, **Olives at Virgin Hotels Las Vegas**, part of Curio Collection by Hilton. Following his fiery, fun and first Las Vegas restaurant, The Beast, located in the immersive art adventureland AREA15 last year, English worked with design firm ICRAVE to reimagine the design of his iconic restaurant Olives in Boston which premiered in 1989. The menu features the star chef's time-tested take on Mediterranean cuisine. Growing the Olives family, Olives at Virgin Hotels Las Vegas joins sister restaurant Olives in the Bahamas. English plans to open more Olives locations in New York City, Los Angeles and Dallas.

"Mediterranean food in the dry heat of Vegas just feels right," said Chef Todd English. "We're happy to be partnering with Virgin Hotels Las Vegas, it's a perfect fit. There is so much to do in Vegas, and to be staying in a great hotel with Olives as your kitchen just improves the whole Vegas experience by increasing comfort."

The opening menu at Olives includes classics as well as updated plates featuring seafood and Italian inspiration, all incorporating farm fresh ingredients and incredible flavor profiles. Starters include Beef Carpaccio with gorgonzola rosti cake and scallion cream; Nantucket Bay Scallops with creamy chestnut risotto and orange vinaigrette; and Sippin' Bowl of Mussels with creamy whole grain mustard and grilled Tuscan bread. It wouldn't be a Todd English dining experience without mouthwatering flatbreads: Fig and Prosciutto with fig jam, gorgonzola, and prosciutto; Portobello with wild mushroom puree, fontina and truffle, to name a few. There are beautifully crafted handmade pastas galore, including Agnolotti with lemon ricotta and veal Bolognese and Bucatini with shucked Maine lobster, uni butter, and crushed cherry peppers.

Featuring an intimate 185-seat dining room with a stone and steel hearth kitchen, the cozy space surrounds an elegant, raised bar with upscale lounge areas dressed in stone, terra cotta, wood, cork and Renaissance-inspired hand-glazed art. Olives is a five-star dining experience like no other in Las Vegas

"We are thrilled to partner with Chef Todd to bring back the iconic Olives to Las Vegas. Chef Todd's culinary brilliance and relentless pursuit of quality makes Olives the perfect addition to our restaurant

collection,” said Richard “Boz” Bosworth, president and CEO of JC Hospitality, owner of Virgin Hotels Las Vegas.

Olives at Virgin Hotels Las Vegas is open Wednesday – Sunday from 5 – 11 p.m. with dinner service from 6 – 10 p.m. Reservations can be made online at www.virginhotelslv.com. The restaurant is conveniently located off of the Paradise parking garage.

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ABOUT OLIVES AT VIRGIN HOTELS LAS VEGAS

Olives at Virgin Hotels Las Vegas is the newest restaurant by four-time James Beard award winner and celebrity chef Todd English. Olives features a 185-seat dining room with a stone and steel hearth kitchen and five-star Mediterranean cuisine.

ABOUT VIRGIN HOTELS LAS VEGAS

Virgin Hotels Las Vegas is a reimagined and re-conceptualized casino resort. The property is part of Curio Collection by Hilton. The integrated resort intermixes a passion for food and beverage with music and culture and features three hotel towers totaling over 1,500 Chambers and suites; the 60,000 sq. ft. Mohegan Sun Casino, operated by Mohegan Gaming & Entertainment; a five-acre desert pool oasis including Élia Beach Club and a multi-functional event lawn; live music and entertainment theater with 4,500 capacity; 24 Oxford showroom accommodating 650 guests; an exclusive portfolio of twelve food and beverage venues including Todd English’s Olives, Kris Yenbamroong’s Night + Market, the legendary Nobu, Michael and David Morton’s One Steakhouse, Kassi Beach House from restaurateur Nick Mathers, Casa Calavera by global hospitality company Hakkasan Group, the sports entertainment, daylife and nightlife venue Money, Baby! from Justin Massei and Mikis Troyan of Clive Collective, famous Afters Ice Cream, Pizza Forte by the Ferraro Family and signature Virgin Hotels restaurants and bars including The Kitchen at Commons Club, The Bar at Commons Club, The Shag Room and Funny Library Coffee Shop. The property is owned by JC Hospitality, LLC, in partnership with Juniper Capital Partners, Virgin Group, LiUNA, Fengate Asset Management, Dream and Orlando Development. The off Strip playground is located at 4455 Paradise Road. For more information, visit www.virginhotelslv.com.

ABOUT VIRGIN HOTELS

Virgin Hotels is a lifestyle hospitality brand that combines heartfelt service, straightforward value, and a seamless, personalized hotel experience with the track record of innovation and smart disruption that Sir Richard Branson's global Virgin Group has pioneered for 50 years. Each property intermixes a passion for food and beverage with music and culture, fusing with the local landscape and providing a vibrant and inclusive environment for travelers and locals alike. Virgin Hotels Chicago - named the "#1 Hotel in the United States" in 2016 and "#1 Hotel in Chicago" in 2016, 2017, and 2020 by the Conde Nast Traveler's Readers' Choice Awards - Virgin Hotels Dallas - named the "#16 Hotel in Texas" - Virgin Hotels Nashville and Virgin Hotels Las Vegas are now open. Locations in New York, New Orleans, Miami and Edinburgh to follow. Virgin Hotels continues to explore hotel and office conversions and ground-up development in Boston, Los Angeles, Austin, Seattle, and London.

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