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**ARLINGTON ADVISES BRAVO FOOD SERVICE ON ITS SALE TO FOUR FOODS GROUP**

**Birmingham, AL** – March 31, 2017. Arlington Capital Advisors, LLC and Founders Investment Banking, LLC are pleased to announce that Four Foods Group (FFG) has purchased substantially all of the assets of Bravo Food Service, LLC (Bravo), a leading franchisee of Little Caesars in the Southeast. Bravo’s shareholders were advised by Arlington Capital Advisors (Arlington) and Founders Investment Banking (Founders). The transaction was led by Vann Russell of Arlington and Zane Tarence of Founders.

Bravo Food Service was started in 2002 by Ramon Arias, and through organic growth and acquisitions, became one of the nation’s largest Little Caesars franchisees with 48 locations across Alabama and Louisiana.

“The Arias family is excited for the Bravo restaurants to join up with the quickly growing Four Foods Group team. We were impressed by the professionalization and best practices they have implemented with their legacy businesses, and look forward to them continuing to grow the operations and take excellent care of all employees,” said Ramon Arias, Founder of Bravo Food Service. “Arlington and Founders worked hard to help us identify the right partner, negotiate terms, and get the transaction done.”

For FFG, it represents their first venture east of the Mississippi River, and will enable them to have a foothold for further expansion domestically.

“Bravo Food Service is a leading franchisee of Little Caesars with significant growth potential,” said Vann Russell of Arlington Capital Advisors. “We are thrilled to have helped the Arias family find the right steward of the brand and are excited to watch the company grow under its new leadership.”

“The Founders and Arlington team enjoyed working with Ramon and his great team on this deal. We received an extremely high amount of interest in this deal, and were glad to help the Bravo team land



with a partner that we believe will continue to build upon the culture and impressive employee team that the Arias family has worked over the last 15 years to build,” said Zane Tarence, Managing Director at Founders Investment Banking.

#### **About Arlington Capital Advisors**

Arlington Capital Advisors, LLC is a boutique investment bank that specializes in providing middle-market businesses with advisory services. Arlington focuses on providing strategic advice to our clients, including sell-side and buy-side mergers and acquisitions, sourcing growth capital and other capital centric strategic alternatives for businesses across a wide array of industries including a specific focus and expertise in consumer businesses. Securities offered through M&A Securities Group, Inc. M&A Securities Group, Inc. and Arlington Capital Advisors are not affiliated companies.

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#### **About Founders**

Founders Investment Banking is a merger and acquisition advisory firm based in Birmingham, Alabama. Its team’s proven expertise and process-based solutions help companies and business owners access capital and prepare for and execute liquidity events to achieve specific financial goals. The firm focuses on technology and specialty pharmacy clients across the United States, and oil and gas, industrial, and manufacturing clients located across the Southeast. In order to provide securities-related services discussed herein, certain principals of Founders are licensed with M & A Securities Group, Inc. or Founders M&A Advisory, LLC, both members of member FINRA & SIPC. M&A Securities Group and Founders are unaffiliated entities.

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#### **About Bravo Food Services**

Bravo Food Service is headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama and has been a leading franchisee of Little Caesars in Alabama and Louisiana since 2002. Growing the company from an original base of 8 stores up to 48, the company is led by members of the Arias family.

#### **About Four Foods Group**

Four Foods Group (FFG) is a restaurant development, investment and management company with 96 restaurant locations and additional sites in development or under construction. FFG has ranked among Inc. magazine's 500/5000 Fastest Growing Companies in America for five consecutive years, and as a Fast 50 company for 5 years running. The company currently employs over 1,800 employees in multiple states, with more than 100 at their corporate offices in American Fork, Utah. Their restaurants rank among the Technomic Top 150 Fast Casual Restaurants.

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