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#### NASHVILLE ORIGINALS ADDS PUCKETT'S GROCERY & RESTAURANT TO GROWING ROSTER OF LOCAL EATERIES



FRANKLIN, TN (April 14, 2010) - Nashville Originals, an association of independent, locally owned restaurants in the Nashville area, recently added Puckett's Grocery & Restaurant to their growing list of local eateries. Nashville Originals consists of local restaurateurs dedicated to sustaining independent restaurants as a fixture of Nashville's culture and community. Since its launch in 2006, member restaurants have joined together to bring greater awareness and increased visibility to locally owned restaurants in the city. A Nashville Originals membership requires local ownership, a minimum one-year of operation, and a willingness to participate in organization-related events and charitable projects.

"If ever there was an original dining spot in this area, Puckett's would be at the top of the list," said Rick Bolsom, Nashville Originals president. "We are happy to welcome this well-known establishment to Nashville Originals."

Puckett's Grocery & Restaurant, which has locations in Historic Downtown Franklin, Leiper's Fork, and a Downtown Nashville store in the works, is proud to be a part of such a prominent group of restaurants.

"We are honored to be a part of the Nashville Originals. This is a group of entrepreneurs that share our vision for quality service, food and atmosphere. These folks are backbone of the communities that they serve and that is something that Puckett's is very passionate about," said Puckett's owner Andy Marshall.

Nashville Originals sponsors twice-annual Restaurant Weeks, which offers special-value dining for all of their member restaurants.

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#### ABOUT PUCKETT'S GROCERY & RESTAURANT

Founded by the Puckett family in the 1950s, Puckett's has served as a country store to several communities in Williamson County. Andy Marshall bought the Leiper's Fork Puckett's Grocery in 1998. In 2002, Puckett's branched out to start a formal dinner and music program. With all of the talented writers in and around town, the Friday night writers' show grew fast with people coming from all over to hear some of the finest that the industry has to offer in a cool, eclectic environment. Shortly after that, another opportunity opened up to expand Puckett's to Marshall's hometown and first love for community, in Historic Downtown Franklin. In February 2010, Puckett's added to their already hefty list of accolades. *Southern Exposure Magazine* awarded eight Sizzle Awards to Puckett's including Williamson county's best burger, best meat and three, best staff and servers, best caterer, best value, and best live music.

Rob Robinson and his family now own the Leiper's Fork location, while the Marshall family plans to expand into the Downtown Nashville community, set to open in the fall of 2010.