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### **Restaurant Renovations to begin at Syracuse Hancock International Airport**

**Syracuse, New York** – The City of Syracuse Department of Aviation today announced that construction work to complete a \$400,000 renovation of the two Sbarro restaurants located at Syracuse Hancock International Airport is beginning this week.

Delaware North Companies, operator of the food, beverage and retail concessions at the airport, is moving forward with the renovation work as part of a three-year extension to the concession agreement between the City and the company.

Both the pre-security restaurant in Terminal A and the post-security restaurant in Terminal B will undergo a complete renovation that will result in a brand new restaurant in each location – the Gateway Grill and Wine Bar. The Gateway Grill and Wine Bar will replace each of the Sbarro restaurants. The Terminal A location, which is currently a pre-security facility, will be converted into a post-security restaurant. Both locations will showcase the new concept and menu.

“This is very exciting and long overdue,” said Commissioner of Aviation Christina Reale. “The traveling public has been asking for something different, and I am confident that they will like what they see. It was also important that we look at how we serve the flying public, and converting the pre-security Sbarro restaurant in Terminal A into a post-security facility will give tens of thousands of passengers more options.”

“We thank the City and the airport for the opportunity to refresh the dining experience at the airport with a broader menu that will also celebrate some of Syracuse’s distinct tastes,” said Matt King, president of Delaware North Companies Travel Hospitality Services, the division that operates food service and retail at dozens of airport nationwide and several Thruway plazas near Buffalo.

The new menu at the Gateway Grill and Wine Bar locations includes an array of freshly prepared items and a variety of local products, including familiar names such as Hoffman, Gianelli, and Dinosaur BBQ. Construction is expected to take approximately six weeks. During that time, temporary kiosks will be set up in both terminals, post-security to ensure the flying public has access to concession services.

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